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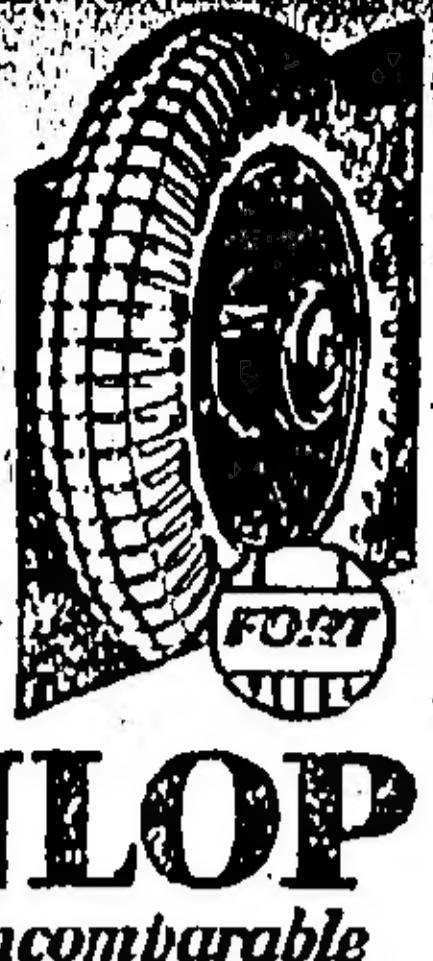
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An amazing scene at Shiluchow on the North River, following a flood. Timber rafts, ready for transport, were carried away and smashed against pillars of a future railway bridge, piling up in such a remarkable way that the entire river has been blocked and is no longer navigable. Picture shows only a section of the timber "dam."

NORTH RIVER FLOOD HAVOC DRAMA.

LADY MISSIONARIES' NARROW ESCAPE.

HAVING NARROWLY escaped destruction when their houseboat was swept from its moorings by huge timber piles, which threatened at every moment to overwhelm their somewhat frail craft, Miss Todhunter and Miss Western, of the South China Boat Mission, who have just arrived in Hongkong, related to a *Telegraph* representative this morning, the first details to reach the Colony of a disastrous flood on the North River.

Many lives were lost when other small craft on the river were smashed by an avalanche of timber rafts which rushed down upon them, almost without warning, while the loss to the timber merchants is estimated to exceed \$1,000,000. The damage was chiefly due to the sudden rise in the river, many feet in a few hours, when floods are unusual at this time of the year.

RIVER BLOCKED BY TIMBER PILE.

Miss Todhunter and Miss Western probably owe their lives to the fact that their houseboat was moored below instead of above the pillar barrier shown in the picture above.

The pillars have been constructed in connexion with the development of the Canton-Hankow railway and are to carry a bridge across the river. Huge timber rafts swept down by the flood, smashed against the pillars, and were so split up that the logs which got through were not in sufficient bulk to wreck the houseboat.

Carried for a Mile.

It was however struck by several logs and finally broke away from its moorings, being carried for over a mile down the swollen stream before those aboard were able to get the craft under control and anchor her in a place of safety.

Craft on the up-river side of the bridge were less fortunate. Some of them were smashed to splinters and many lives are thought to have been lost.

One boat can be observed in the thick of the timbers in the picture above. Others were completely buried in the indescribable confusion of logs on the left of the photograph.

Unusual Event.

Miss Todhunter told our representative that floods in the North River are very uncommon at this time, and the timber dealers in the Shiluchow district

were the most serious incidents occurred, were not prepared for the sudden rise of the water.

Their supplies, ready for transport in rafts down river, were carried away, and their loss is tremendous.

Pile Round Bridge.

The huge pile concentrated round the future railway bridge will be saved, but after this is taken into account, the losses will not be less than \$1,000,000 Chinese currency.

The entire river has been blocked by the piling up of the logs at this point, and navigation will not be possible for more than a month.

LUTON WIN F.A. CUP REPLAY.

CROOK-TOWN IN THE THIRD ROUND.

London, Dec. 16.

The F.A. Cup replays to-day resulted in a hand-some victory by Luton Town over Lincoln City, the latter winning 4-1, while Crook Town defeated Aldershot, winners of the Southern League last season, by the only goal scored.

In league matches, Exeter City defeated Watford by two clear goals, and Gateshead, in the Northern Section, defeated Rotherham by 4-1.

SOLDIER TAKES PLANE ON A JOYRIDE.

NO EXPERIENCE OF FLYING.

LIFE AMBITION.

(Reuters Special Service)

London, Dec. 16. A young soldier's escapade at the Brooklands Flying School last week when, with no experience whatever of flying, he jumped into an aeroplane and took her aloft, later bringing her to earth without meeting with disaster, had a sequel when Trooper Hale appeared in the police court to-day.

The excuse he gave to the magistrate was that it has been his ambition all his life to become an aviator.

He is only nineteen years of age, and is an officer's servant in the Eleventh Hussars.

He was charged with flying an aeroplane belonging to the Brooklands Flying School without a licence.

The incident occurred while the officers at the school were having lunch. Hale said he saw the machine standing unattended and had a feeling that he wanted to go for a joyride.

The magistrate decided to bind him over to be of good behaviour in future.

MR. CHURCHILL'S PROGRESS.

SUFFERING MUCH LESS PAIN.

London, Dec. 16. New York reports that a bulletin issued regarding Mr. Winston Churchill records his progress to be most favourable.

The symptoms of pleurisy have improved, the wounds are healing well and Mr. Churchill is suffering much less pain.—British Wireless.

U. S. GOLD STOCKS.

NEARLY \$100,000,000 INCREASE.

Washington, Dec. 16. The stocks of gold in the United States are actually increasing according to the figures issued to-day, covering the transaction for the eleven months ended November 30.

These show that gold to the value of \$522,000,000 was imported, while the exports of gold did not exceed a value of \$434,000,000.—Reuters American Service.

RESEARCH TRIUMPH.

WORK FOR 65,000 JOBLESS.

COMPETITIVE PRICES.

London, Dec. 16. The production of high-grade petrol from British coal at a competitive price is no longer a dream.

It is now agreed by experts that it is possible to supply all Britain's needs from British coal as long as the taxation on imported petrol remains effective.

Sir Eric Hambro, at a luncheon given to-day in honour of Commodore Piero Salerni, who has developed the process for the low temperature carbonisation of coal, expressed his confidence in the Salerni system.

He had decided himself, he said, to shoulder the responsibility for the provision of the initial funds for the development of the system, which promises not only to restore prosperity to the British mining industry, but to rid the country of smoke and create a home supply of oil and motor fuels.

Imperial Chen, director of Imperial Chen, director of

A description of the hydrogenation method of producing oil from coal at the Billingham works of Imperial Chemicals Limited, states that full development would provide work for 65,000 men now unemployed, including 40,000 miners in supplying Britain's requirements alone.

The total yearly value of imported petrol is over £10,000,000, nearly the whole of which sum goes abroad and helps to swell our adverse balance of trade.

The estimates given for the scheme allow for the writing off of the whole of the capital sum in eleven years and for paying a reasonable rate of interest in addition.

Cost of Production.

The success of the proposals depends upon a maintenance of the import duties. At present the cost of petrol at port is 2½d. per gallon, to which has to be added 8d. in tax. The cost of producing a gallon of petrol from coal is estimated at 7d. (3½d. less than the net cost of imported petrol to the distributor). Two-pence represents the cost of the coal and 5d. the cost of conversion.

Leading Financier.

Sir Eric Hambro, who has declared his intention of promoting the Salerni system, is one of Britain's leading financiers. He is a partner in C. J. Hambro and Co., sub-governor of the Royal Exchange Assurance Company, and a director of the Great Eastern Railway Company.—British Wireless and Ex.

MAMMOUTH BUSES FOR LONDON.

63-PASSENGER SIX-WHEELERS.

(Reuters Special Service)

London, Dec. 16. Mammoth omnibuses specially designed for dealing with London's traffic problems are to be introduced in London next year.

Details of the scheme were announced to-day. The L.G.O.C. propose to launch a fleet of two hundred and fifty six-wheeler omnibuses on the streets of London next year.

They will provide seating accommodation for sixty-three passengers and will carry, at the front and the back, illuminated screens showing their destination, with similar screens on the sides will show well-known points en route.

WORLD CRISIS.

Trade Blow to America.

Milliard Dollars Fewer Exports.

BRITISH EMPIRE POLICY.

New York, Dec. 16. A drop of more than a thousand million dollars in exports and a drop of over nine hundred million dollars in imports, are revealed in the figures of the foreign trade of the United States in the past twelve months.

The balance of trade, however, is still considerably in America's favour as the surplus of exports over imports for the month of November was \$843,000,000 and for the first eleven months of the year, the surplus of exports has been about \$300,000,000.—Reuters American Service.

British Tariffs.

London, Dec. 16. Major J. D. Colville, the Secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade, in a speech at Sheffield referring to measures for correcting the adverse trade balance, said that tariff duties must not be regarded as unalterable. Their incidence and continuance must be justified by the test of efficient production for the home and the export markets.

Dealing with the approaching Ottawa Conference, he said the Government would attend with eager minds and ready hands. He hoped the opportunity would be taken to weld the Empire together on economic lines.

If the Empire combined on a common trade policy, world competition in the export trade could be faced with confidence.—British Wireless.

REPARATIONS ISSUE.

SIR FREDERICK ROSS GOING TO PARIS.

London, Dec. 16. Sir Frederick Ross, of the British Treasury, is leaving tomorrow for Paris where he will exchange views with representatives of the French Government, in anticipation of an international conference on reparations, which will be held after the Report will be received from the Special Advisory Committee under the Young Plan, now sitting at Basle. The date and place of the meeting have not yet been fixed.—British Wireless.

Big Saving.

The Daily Herald says that apart from its effect on the Disarmament Conference, the suspension of the building programme will mean a saving of several million pounds sterling.

It is understood that Mr. Neville Chamberlain is strongly supporting the idea.

The ships concerned were provided in the programme announced in March last and would normally be commenced in February.

The Programme.

The programme comprises two seven-thousand ton and one five-thousand ton armoured cruisers, one battleship, one battle cruiser, eight destroyers and four sloops, one gunboat and two auxiliary vessels.—Reuters.

Dramatic Tokyo Stroke.

Mr. Shigemitsu Recalled: Revision of Policy Expected.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

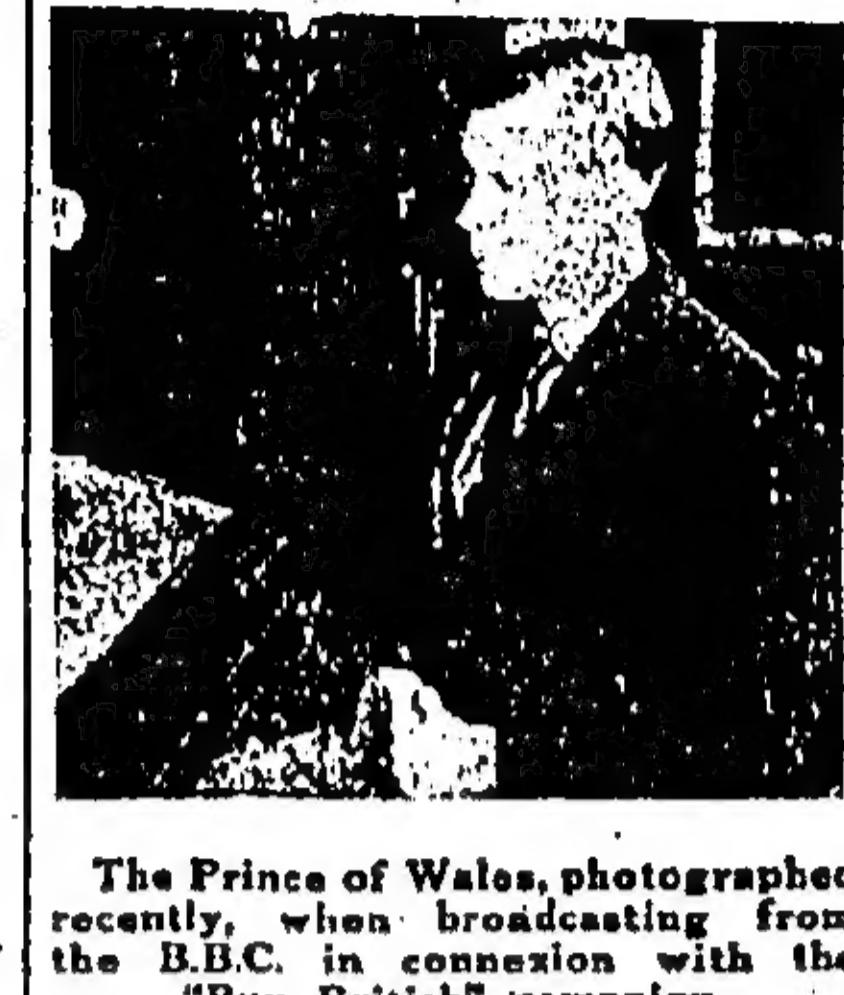
The sudden change of government in Tokyo has produced a rather dramatic stroke in Sino-Japanese diplomatic relations, which is taken to foreshadow a revision of Japanese policy.

Mr. Inukita's Cabinet has recalled Mr. Shigemitsu, the Japanese Minister in China,

BRITISH NAVAL SENSATION.

ALL NEW SHIPS IN JEOPARDY.

STOPPAGE UNDER CONSIDERATION.



The Prince of Wales, photographed recently when broadcasting from the B.B.C. in connection with the "Buy British" campaign.

THE PRINCE OF PEDLARS.

H.R.H. TALKS ON TRAVEL.

ADVERTISING BRITISH ISLES.

London, Dec. 16.

Early to bed and early to rise,
But you'll soon be bust if you don't Advertise.

A roar of laughter and loud applause followed this adaptation of the old rhyme, sprung by the Prince of Wales on the annual meeting of the Travel Association of Great Britain and Ireland to-day.

In pursuance of his role as the Empire's best publicist, the Prince delivered a stirring address, declaring that too little was known abroad about what the British Isles had to offer, the charm of the country, while far too much was heard of the financial and industrial difficulties affecting Britain equally when the rest of the world.

"This is the moment," he said, "to impress the world that we are alive and mean to go forward again."

If temporarily, the British people were being dissuaded from travelling abroad for pleasure as apart from business, foreign countries would realise that this is merely an emergency measure.

As soon as the situation became stabilised, the British people would certainly go abroad again, just as the Travel Association hoped that people in countries overseas would visit Britain.

The Prince extolled the virtues of travel.

Talking in Each Other's Washing.

"Only by a free exchange of goods, services and visits can the world live in comfort, peace and mutual understanding. Travel and trade are international."

If we always stay at home and try to eke out a livelihood by taking in each other's washing, it will prove a precarious livelihood for the whole world."

It Pays to Advertise.

He was glad that the Association, in advertising the fact that the British Isles were pleasant, interesting and efficient places, were not overlooking the need for showing others that Britain had some very great industries, because the adaptation of the old rhyme (above) was at present very true.

—Reuters and British Wireless.

"TALKIES" AS AID IN EDUCATION.

HIGHLY FAVOURABLE REPORT.

London, Dec. 16.

The report on an experiment by the Middlesex educational authorities in fifteen schools, on the use of special sound films as an aid to teaching, states that the committee find that the films arouse and maintain interest, help to develop originality, encourage the children to read more widely, enrich personal experience and correlate the work of the classroom with the life of the world outside.

"Talk films," it is stated, bring the greatest benefit to the dullest children, achieving a greater awakening of intellectual consciousness than has been achieved by any other means.—British Wireless.

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CANTON ROTARY CLUB.HONGKONG'S GOOD WISHES
CONVEYED.**OPENING FUNCTION.**

The Canton Rotary Club was inaugurated on Tuesday night in the Hotel Asia. The event was witnessed by the President of the Hongkong Rotary Club (Sir William Hornell) and two members, Mr. D. M. Maynard and Mr. M. F. Key. Dr. Henry (Provost of Lingnan University), Mr. K. Huang (Canton Municipal Telephone Administration) and Mr. P. T. Carey (China Electric Co.) were the provisional committee which made the preliminary arrangements.

After extending a hearty welcome to the delegates from Hongkong, and thanking Rotarian Fitch of Shanghai for his interest in and work on behalf of the new enterprise, Dr. Henry explained that, after discussion, the provisional committee came to the conclusion that the formation of a Rotary Club would not be imminent to the Canton Thursday Luncheon Club but would promote the same objects and be mutually beneficial.

The superstitious expressed a passing qualm on hearing from Dr. Henry that the first meeting to launch the project was held on Friday, the 13th of November. As a result it was agreed that acceptance of invitations to the present meeting would be taken as agreement to join the Club. Dr. Henry concluded by reading encouraging telegrams from Peking, Hangchow and Shanghai.

Mr. George Fitch then took charge of the meeting and spoke on the objects and organisation of the Rotary movement. He remarked that Rotary appeals especially to those who live in the great port cities of the East because of the work it is doing in building up a great world fellowship. "We know," said Mr. Fitch, "that friendship between nations cannot be achieved by treaties, or by the kind words of diplomats: international amity can only come through the world desiring friendship, and it is not brought about by the acceptance of it as an ideal, but by contact." "International-mindedness" and friendship were not the only aims of Rotary, which sought also to carry out community and vocational service.

The Officers.

Mr. Fitch then explained in detail the pitch of organisation to which a Club like that in Shanghai—now twelve years old—had been brought about—this part of his speech was rather strong meat for some, and one-year-olds like the Hongkong Rotary Club. He concluded by reading the Objects of Rotary.

Charter membership cards were then filled in and it was unanimously agreed, on the motion of Dr. Henry, seconded by Mr. Carey, to apply to Rotary International for a Charter. The Constitution and By-laws of Rotary were then adopted.

Officers were elected by ballot as follows: President, Dr. S. E. Chien; Vice-President, Dr. J. M. Chang; Directors, Mr. H. Y. Wong, Mr. P. T. Carey, Mr. G. W. Green, Mr. Y. L. Lee, and Mr. H. Laffond.

Those present, as charter members, were then called upon to rise and receive the charge given to new members.

The new President having had to leave the meeting on account of indisposition, Dr. Henry then took the chair of the newly-constituted Club and congratulated the members on having as President one of the leading citizens of Canton. They were intensely grateful to Shanghai for sending so able and inspiring a representative as Mr. Fitch to the inaugural meeting of the Canton Club. In calling upon Sir William Hornell to address the meeting, Dr. Henry said the example of Hongkong would



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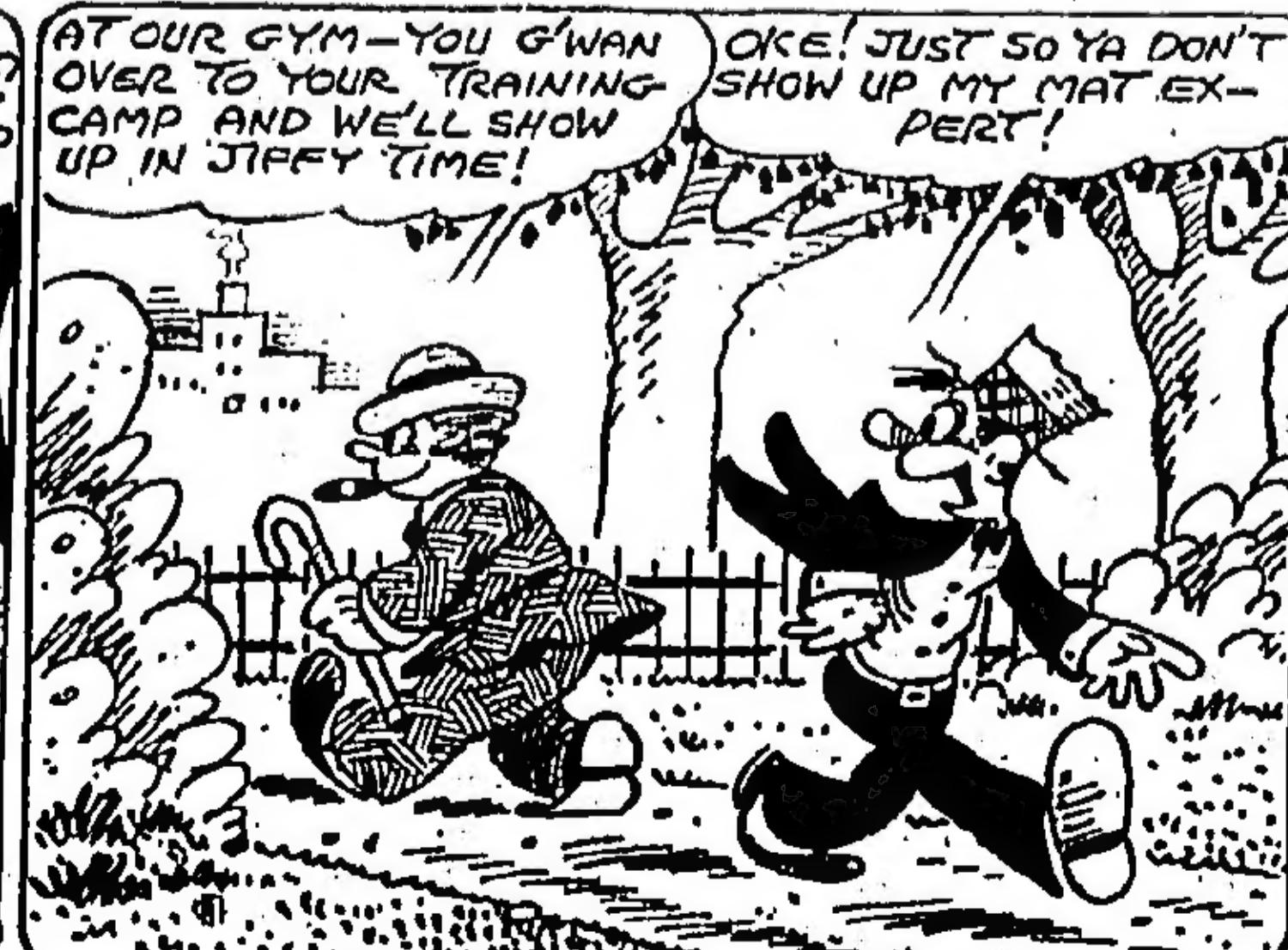
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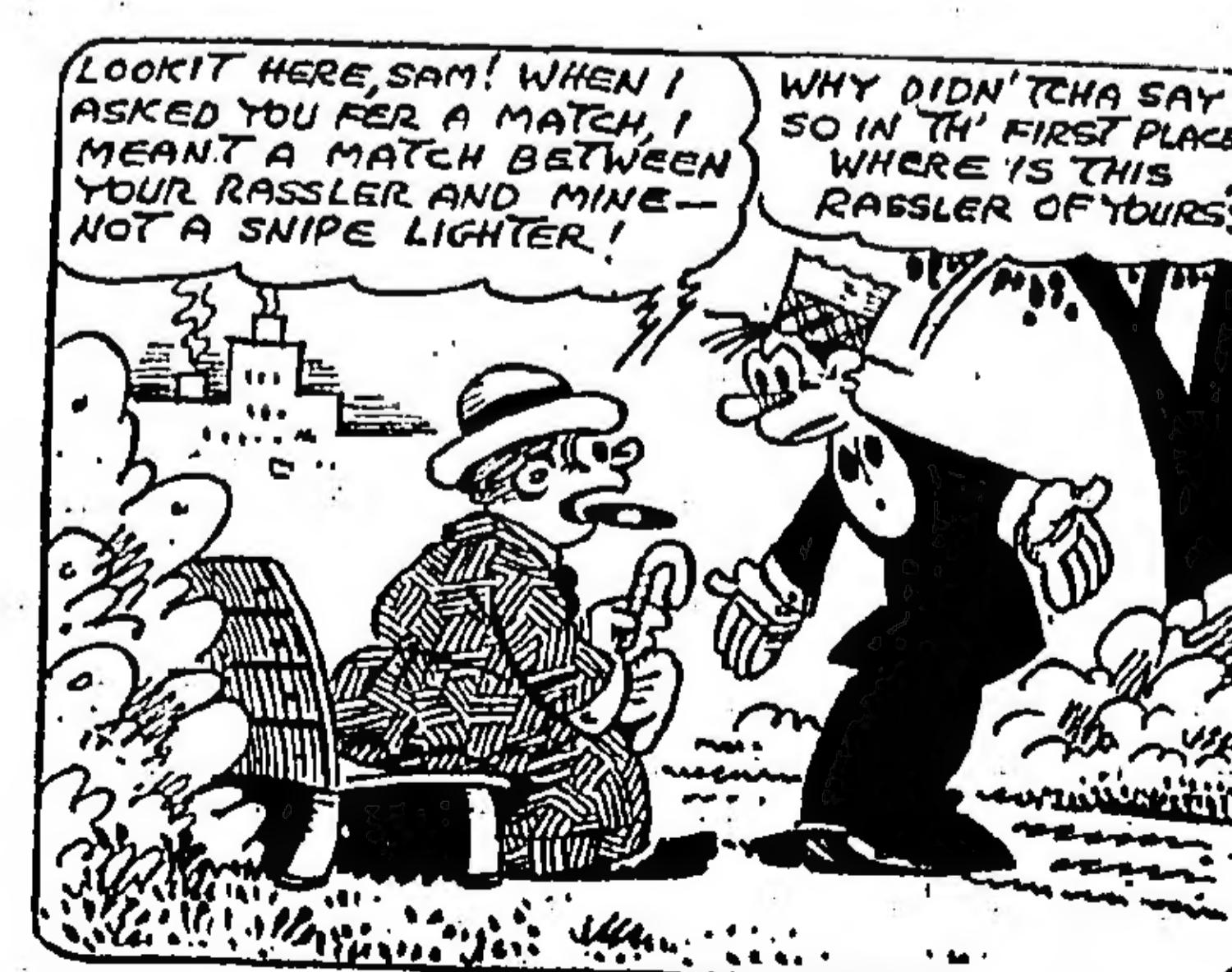
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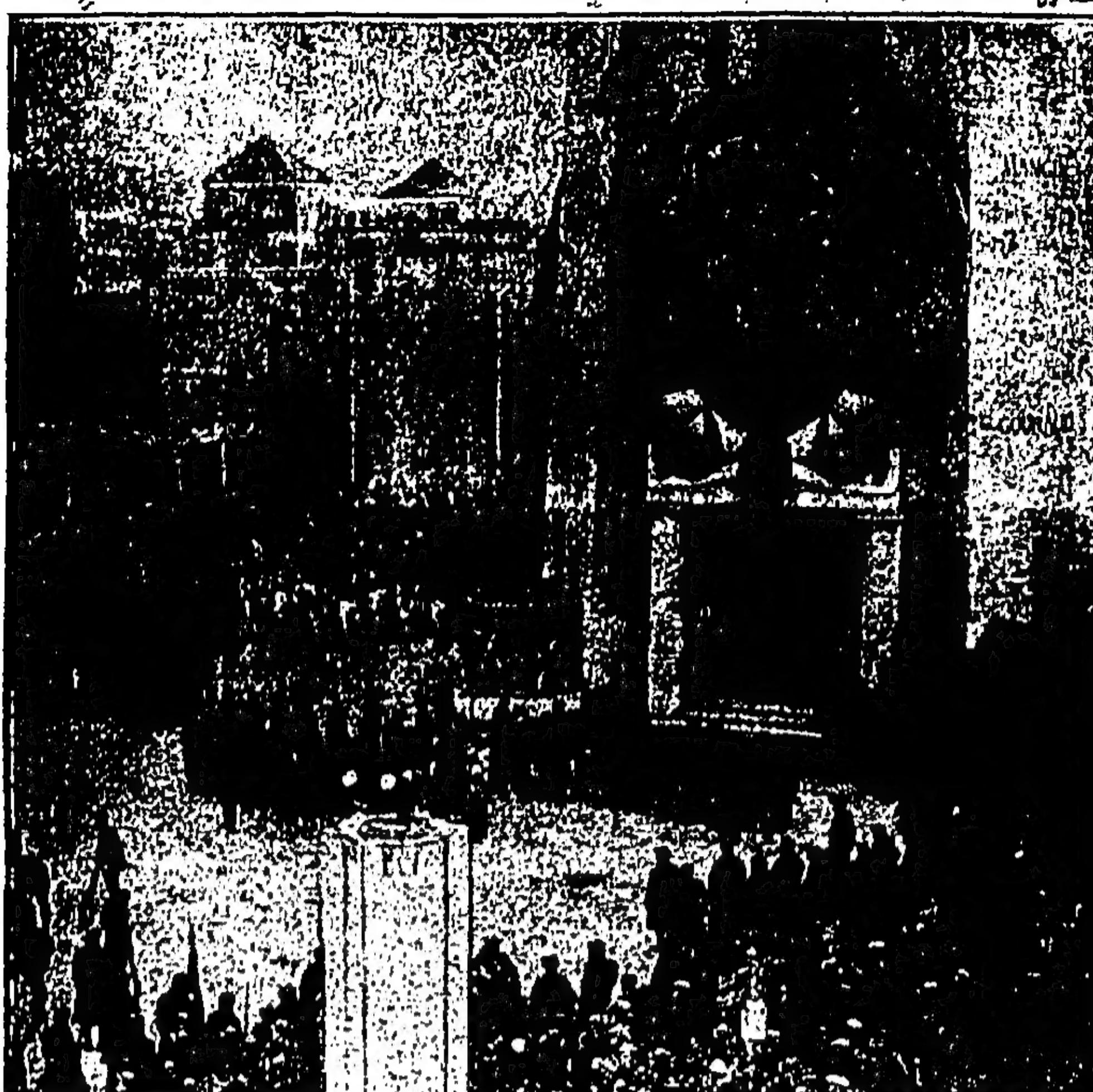


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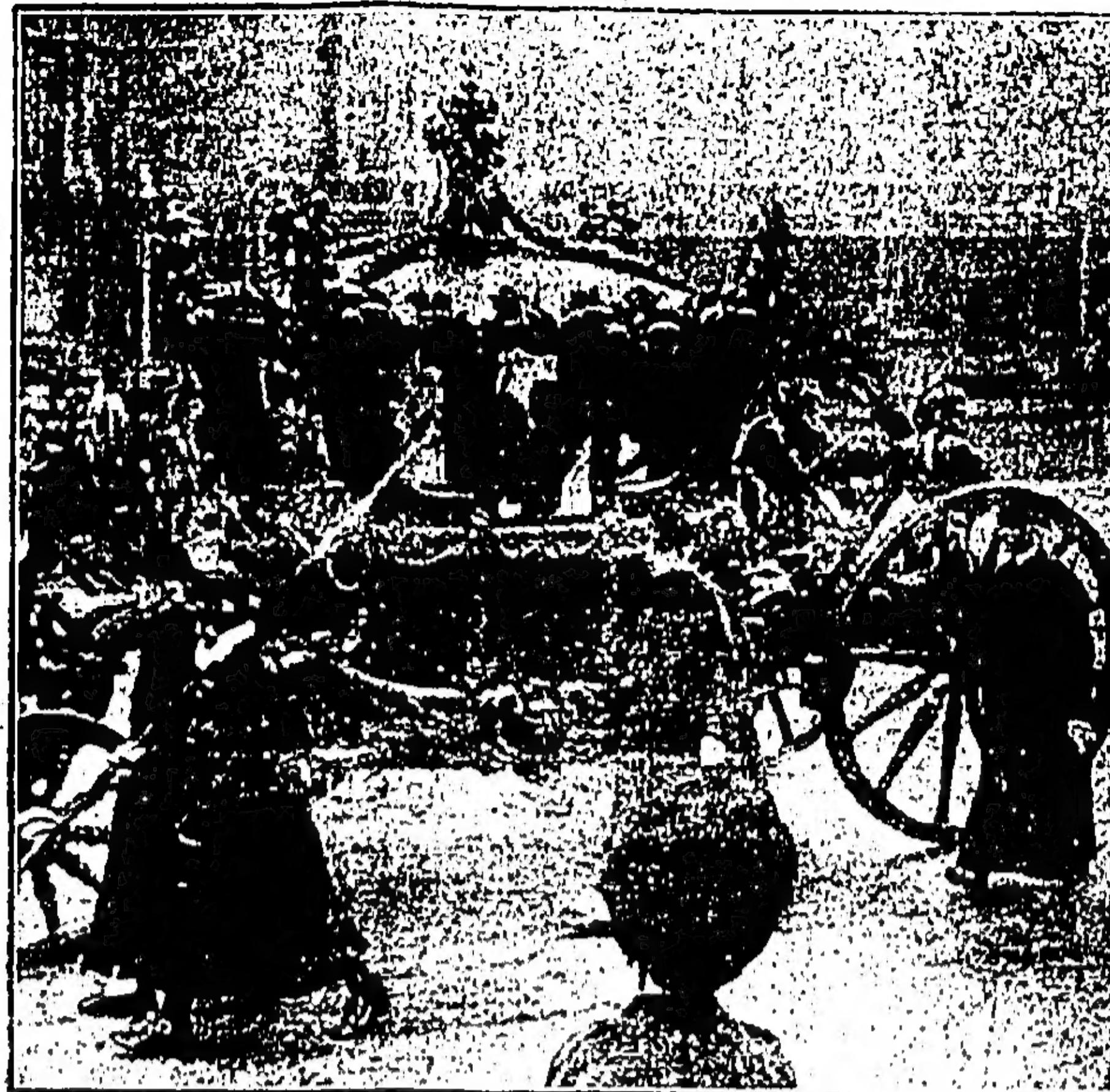
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LOWER THE TRICOLOUR: OPENING OF PARLIAMENT: RUGBY DUEL.



Impressive ceremonies marked the closing of the International Colonial Exhibition in Paris.—(Times copyright).



In spite of the unkindness of the weather, large crowds assembled along the route of the Royal Procession from Buckingham Palace to the House of Lords, when H. M. King George opened Parliament in State. Our picture shows the State Coach bearing the King and Queen leaving Westminster after the opening of Parliament. Their Majesties were cheered enthusiastically by the crowds which lined the whole route.—(Times copyright).



The South Africans fielded a strong side in their match with Oxford University, and won comfortably by 24 points to 3. Our picture shows P. de Villiers, the South African scrum-half, getting the ball away to B. L. Osley from a scrummage.—(Times copyright).



Professor Piccard, the famous balloonist, who now aspires to rise to a height of 100,000 feet.

Gems of Peril

HAZEL ROSS HAILEY

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Old Mrs. Jupiter, wife of the millionaire automobile manufacturer, gives an emergency dinner and dance for her secretary, Eddie, and his mother, Mrs. Harkness, because Mrs. Jupiter is wearing the famous Jupiter rubies.

Mary arranges for Eddie to be admitted to the hospital, and when she finds him she finds Mrs. Jupiter robbed and murdered in her room. Secking Eddie, she finds him with Cornelia. Talking to his children, Eddie reveals that he has been silent about Eddie until he can locate the boy Bowen, reporter for the Star, shows unusual interest in the case. Mary catches Eddie, and manages to tell Bowen of Eddie's supposed visit.

CHAPTER VII

There was time for a lunch tray and a nap before she must be ready to meet Dirk. He had not said so, but Mary felt that they must be going to see Eddie. Impatience made her restless, but weariness finally put her to sleep.

When Delhi woke her there was just time for a quick tub and into her clothes before Dirk was due to arrive. She put the little black silk dress on again—it was all she had that was suitable. But she brightened it with a beige fur jacket and toque, and pinned on her shoulder a few of the freshest buds from last night's corsage of tea-roses, now blooming in water on her dressing-table.

Dirk had had tears enough from her and Cornelia both, she thought fondly. Mrs. Jupiter, if she knew, would not mind her brightening up a bit for his sake. To make up for what weeping and worry had done to her eyes she made her mouth vivid with lipstic. She had just patted and pulled into place each cheek shining loops of dark, mahogany-brown hair, and was looking for fresh gloves when the parlour-maid, Bessie, appeared at the door.

"Gentleman to see you, Miss Harkness."

Mary looked around, surprised at the crispness and formality of the girl's tone. Bessie's mouth was faintly malicious; her nose was lifted superciliously. With all her effort at nonchalance, though tell-tale red overspread her features; she looked exactly like the cat that had lapped up the cream.

"You haven't been talking to that reporter any more, have you, Bessie?" asked Mary sharply.

"They won't blame you, silly! It will all be explained very shortly. But you mustn't talk about it to anyone just yet. I would have

spoken to you about it last night, Bessie, only I trusted to your good judgment to keep still."

The frankness of this plan was apparent to her even as she made it. Bessie's eyes shifted away.

"I don't want the police coming after me," she repeated.

Mary forced a laugh.

"They won't. Of course it was very wrong to leave the door open as you did, Bessie. Anyone might have come in and I'm terribly afraid—someone did. Oh, I'm not blaming you," she held out her hand placatingly as Bessie's eyes flashed resentfully. "I'm blaming myself for not having attended to it. I'd no business leaving it to you."

"My place was in the dining-room, you know that, Miss Mary," the girl said, acidly. "It was Burch's place to watch the door."

"I know that," Mary agreed, wearily. She must not give way to her fears before the girl, she remembered, and drew herself up with a reassuring smile.

"Well, it's possible we've neither of us anything to feel to blame for," she said. "After all, we don't know if anyone came in then. Not even Mr. Eddie. In fact, I don't believe he came at all!"

The maid's look of interest surprised her.

"Oh it was Mr. Eddie you were expecting?"

"Why, yes," said Mary, wonderingly. "Why?" It was a mistake, but the name had slipped out before she thought. She couldn't remember whether she had mentioned Eddie to the maid the night before; if she had, the girl had probably forgotten, and now she had reminded her again. But why did the maid care?

"Nothing. Only—" "Only what?"

The maid lowered her voice fearfully. "Does Mr. Jupiter know?"

Mary flushed. "Why shouldn't he?" she equivocated.

"I don't think he'd like it, if he knew."

"Eddie? But surely—he's always

come to see me whenever he liked!"

As for it's being so late—or rather, so early—he knew there was a party and he wasn't disturbing anyone!"

Immediately she regretted having attempted to justify her actions to the servant. She turned away

to bring the subject to an end.



Davington Priory, near Faversham, Kent, has now come into the possession of the Central Board of Finance of the Church Assembly, which proposes to restore the church and continue the services. The building, attached to the church was a nunnery until the reign of Henry VIII. Our picture shows the cloister garth.—(Times copyright).

things to reproach the girl. After all, one had only to glimpse that pretty, shallow face to know that loyalty was not in her. And technically she was perfectly in the right.

"I wasn't going to have them blaming ME!" Bessie repeated by way of excuse.

Mary waved her away, and with a defiant swish of trim grey skirts she left the room.

Mr. Jupiter was having his port-luncheon nap and there was no time to see him anyway. It was nearly three by her wrist-watch and Dirk was waiting. She hurried down the stairs.

But the man who rose from a half-sitting, half-reclining position in the big armchair by the library fire was not Dirk. It was the Star reporter, Bowen.

Mary turned to go, but he halted her with a word.

"Please, Miss Harkness—don't go. I must see you for a minute."

Mary looked about uncertainly for Dirk. He must be here somewhere—or was this the "gentleman" he asked me?" she bridled, virtuously, "and what could I say?"

Mary thought but she was too occupied with this new phase of

"I'm too upset."

Bowen had reached her side with agility remarkable in a man of his generally round appearance. So far as fact would permit, he had placed himself between her and the door, and cut off her retreat. It was presumption but this was a big story and he couldn't afford to fall.

"I know I must seem a callous brute," he said, "asking you questions just at this time. But in the very nature of things, you know, news can't wait. And there's something that you and no one else can tell me."

Mary said resignedly, "I suppose you mean about my brother." And could not resist adding, "I should have thought your interviews with the servants would have given you all the material you need."

"Let's get down to business, Miss Harkness. Why didn't you tell Inspector Kano that your brother was here last night?"

"Because," Mary retorted, "I don't know that he was. And neither does anyone else."

"You expected him, though!"

"Yes. He telephoned me about half after 12 that he was in trouble, and I must see me at once. The

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In consequence of the whole of the Grill Room being engaged for a private dinner on Friday, December 18th, diners will be served on the Mezzanine Floor on that evening.

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HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION BALL. Friday, 18th December, 1931.

The Rose Room and Roof Garden having been reserved for the above occasion, the Management beg to inform their patrons that there will be NO DINNER DANCE ON THE ABOVE DATE.

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NOTICE.

Members are reminded that a dance will be held in the Rooms of the Institution on Saturday, the 19th December, and requested to send their applications for tickets to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

A. L. LANDSBERT,
Hon. Secretary.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1932

(20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th February).

and

FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING

1932

(5th March).

Draft programmes are now ready and may be obtained at the Secretary's office, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hongkong Club, the Sports Club and the Stables, Causeway Bay.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1931.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Rule of Racing No. 83, the China Pony Subscription Griffin No. 183, dun, 14 hands, will be sold by auction at the Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay on Thursday, 24th December, 1931, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

FANLING HUNT.

STEEPLECHASE RACES.

SUNDAY, 20th DECEMBER, Seven Races. Special Train leaves Kowloon 1.05 p.m. Returning from Fanling to Hong Kong 5.41 p.m. First Class fare \$2.00 includes Admission to Course.

FANLING HUNT RACES.

Four buses of the China Motor Bus Co. will leave the Star Ferry on Sunday, 20th December, 1931. Two at 10.30 a.m. and two at 11 a.m. going direct to Kwanti Race Course, via Castle Peak, and returning soon after the last race.

The Return Fare including entrance to the Race Meeting will be \$3.00.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHARE-HOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 31st day of December, 1931, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 30th September, 1931, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 28th December, 1931, to Thursday, 31st December, 1931, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1931.

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ENTRIES CLOSE

December 21st.

No. S. 484.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for New Kowloon Quarry Lot No. 3," will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 28th day of December, 1931, for the occupation for a period commencing from the date of notification of acceptance of tender and ending on 31st December, 1931, of the piece or parcel of ground as shown coloured red on plan signed by the Director of Public Works and dated 9th December, 1931, but subject to certain conditions which can be ascertained at the office of the Director of Public Works.

Upset annual fee \$1,000.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$100 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions, should the tender be accepted.

Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

HAROLD T. CREASY.
Director of Public Works.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1931.

G. 1152 R.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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On the acceptance of a tender the deposits of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them.

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No. S. 484.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for permission to obtain clay from a parcel of Crown Land at Cha Kwo Ling, S.D. III, N.T." will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Thursday, the 31st December, 1931, for the occupation for a period commencing from the date of notification of acceptance of tender and ending on 31st December, 1934, of the piece or parcel of ground, containing about one acre, shown coloured red on plan signed by the Director of Public Works and dated 9th December, 1931, but subject to certain conditions which can be ascertained at the office of the Director of Public Works.

Upset annual fee \$1,000.

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1931.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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Horses, Aluminium and porcelain tea sets, Furniture sets Dressed Dolls, Celluloid Dolls, Stockings, Rubber Balls, Rubber Foot Balls, Tennis Rackets, Billiard Tables, Games, Soldiers, Railways, Wooden and Mechanical Toys, Crackers, Xmas Tree Decorations etc., etc.

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(for account of the concerned).

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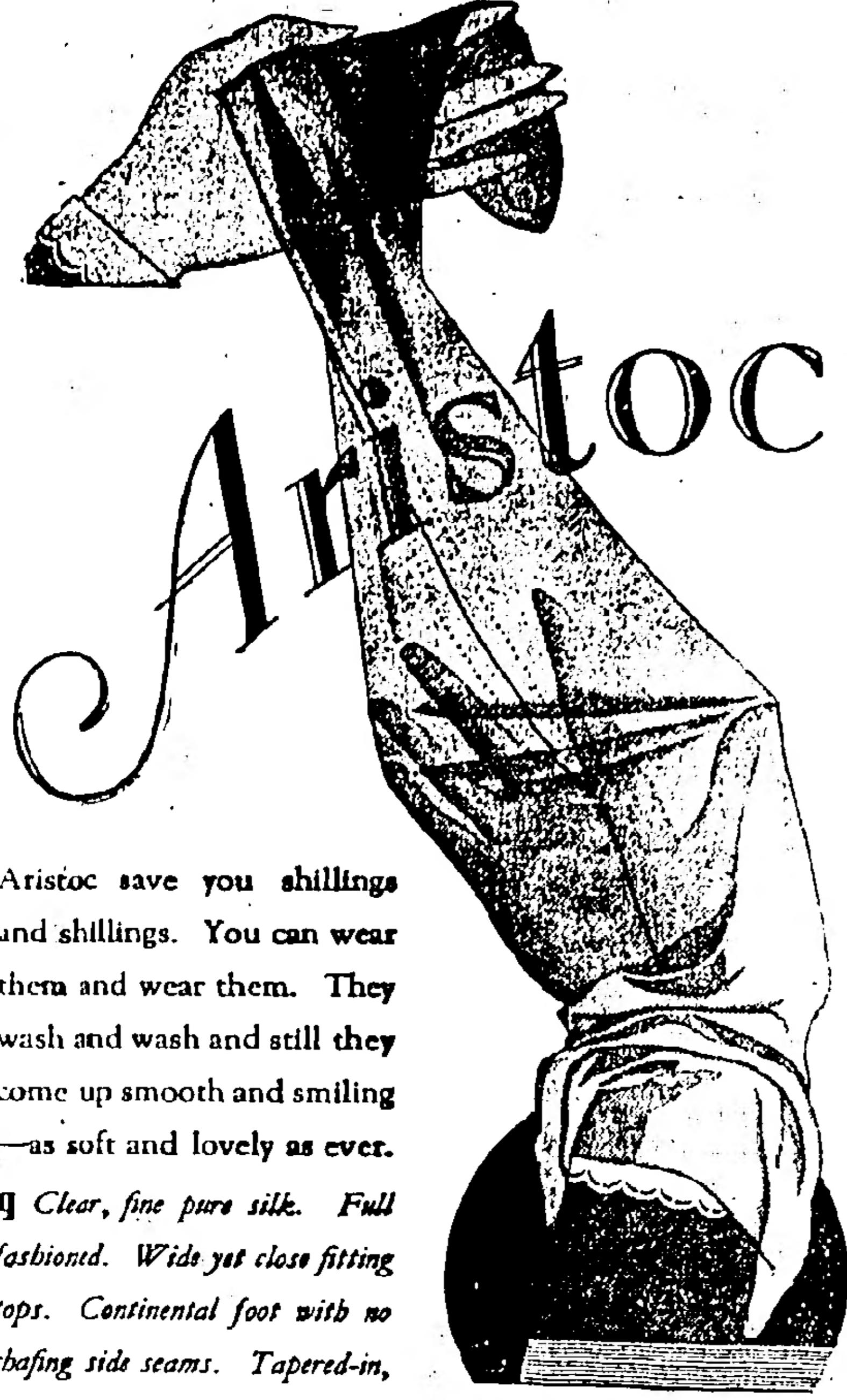
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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1,600 n.
Chartered Bank, £1 1/2 n.
Mercantile A. and B., £19 n.
East Asia, \$12 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1,450 n.
Union Ins., \$430 n.
China Underwriters, \$4,900 b.
China Fire, \$650 n.

H. K. Fire Ins.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,450 n.
Shipping.

Douglas, \$23 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$24 n.

Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) \$25 n.
Union Waterboats, \$27 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$10 1/2 n.
Kullana, 28 1/2 n.

Shai Explorations, Tls. 2,700 n.
Raubis, \$42 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$154 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.

South China Motors \$10 n.
Provident's (old) \$5.15 b.

Hongkewa, Tls. 225 n.

New Engineers, Tls. 6 1/4 n.

Shanghai Docks, Tls. 96 n.

Cottons.

Two cottons Tls. 15 1/2 n.

Shui Cotton Tls. 82 n.

Zoom Sling Tls. 12 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. K. S. Hotel (old) \$14.80 b.

H. K. S. Hotel (new) \$14.60 n.

H. K. Lands, \$80 b.

Shai Land, Tls. 32 1/2 n.

Humphreys' \$18 b.

Realties, \$11 1/2 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$20.90 b.

Peak Trams, (old) \$1.25 n.

Star Ferries, \$963 n.

China Light, \$27.60 n.

H. K. Electric, \$78 b.

Macao Electric, \$23 n.

Telephones, \$13 n.

China Buses, Tls. 17.90 n.

Singapore Tractions 4/- n.

Industrials.

China Sugars 50 cts. n.

Mulabons \$39 n.

Canton Ice, \$5 1/2 n.

Cement (con.) \$18.80 b.

Ropes, \$16 1/2 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$2834 b.

Watson, \$16.40 n.

Der A. Wings, \$1 n.

Lane Crawford, \$6.60 n.

Mackintosh, \$19 n.

Sinceres, \$15 1/2 n.

Powells, \$3.60 n.

Miscellaneous

Amusements, \$19.90 b.

Constructions, (old) \$5.80 n.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Previous Day Yesterday.

Paris..... 87 3/4 87 3/4

Geneva..... 17 1/2 17 1/2

Buenos..... 14 9/16 14 7/8

Oslo..... 18 1/2 18 1/2

Helsingfors..... 24 1/2 24 1/2

Athens..... 20 1/2 20 1/2

Buenos Aires..... 10 3/8 10 3/8

Shanghai..... 1/11 1/2 1/11 1/2

New York..... 3 44 1/2 3 44 1/2

Amsterdam..... 85 1/2 85 1/2

Stockholm..... 18 1/2 18 1/2

Prague..... 116 116

Vienna..... 29 29

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR FUNCTIONS

CARNIVAL DINNER DANCES.

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Christmas Eve Thursday, 24th Dec.
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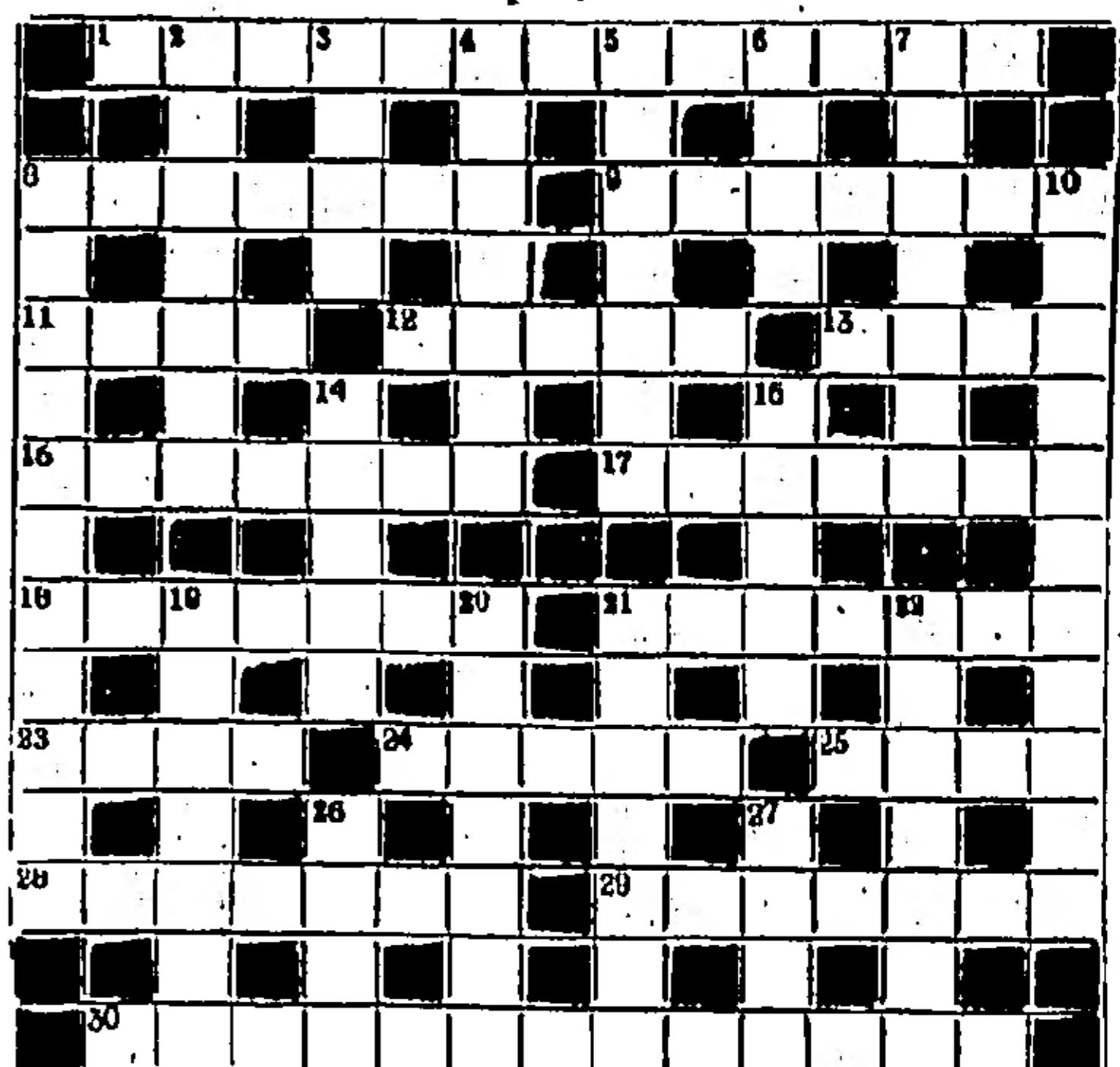
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7 Just the reverse of what 16 is noted for.

8 With lofty spirit I am placed at the head of nations, thus giving rise to meditations.

10 You will have to be quick about this one if you would be right.

14 You have your log, I can see. I should get off. Ice tides wait for no man (hidden).

15 "Not all the lip can—is worth The silence of the heart."—J. Q.

Adams, "The Lip and the Heart."

19 A type of reindeer.

This indicates the existence of something else.

21 A hanging matter—but it may be a soft one.

22 Just the hook to sling.

23 A slightly little thing.

27 It's my opinion that this will be yours.

Yesterday's Solution.

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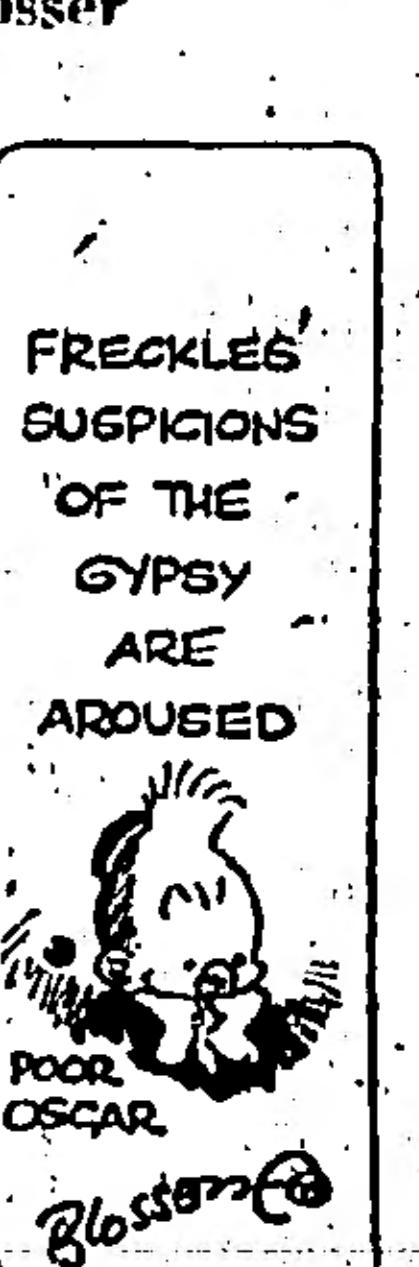
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DEATH.

SETTLE.—At the French Hospital, on December 16, 1931, Harry Armstrong Settle, aged 31 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

G. E. Hongkong Telegraph

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1931.

A PLEA FOR SANITY.

All true sportsmen of the Colony will regret the continued breach between the Hongkong Football Association and the Chinese clubs. We had hoped that the passage of time would have brought both sides to perceive the necessity of a spirit of sweet reasonableness, and that long ere this the points at issue would have been adjusted on a mutually satisfactory basis. Unhappily, the Association's latest and seemingly final word on the subject does practically nothing to keep open the avenues to adjustment; in short, it lays down a condition precedent which in no way touches the causes of the dispute, and would seem likely to block the way to any composing of the unfortunate differences. For this reason, the spirit of the reply to the Chinese Clubs must be deplored.

There is no call at the moment to go into the merits or the demerits of the dispute. Enough ink has been spilled on this aspect of the matter already; possibly too much. But the point which must and does suggest itself to soccer followers and sportsmen in general is that statesmanship must be soundly bankrupt in this Colony if some means cannot be discovered of settling a dispute which, if allowed to continue, will completely ruin the major sport of Hongkong in the future. This is what the matter really boils down to, for it must be patent to everyone that football cannot progress here except with the co-operation of the Chinese clubs. Already, the present season has been reduced almost to a farce because of the unfortunate quarrel, with the result that thousands of would-be spectators have been robbed of their customary Saturday afternoon's enjoyment. When all is said and done, the business of the Football Association is to promote the game and to do all in its power to encourage its growth. Its critics will say, with some measure of reason, that it is at present failing to discharge that primary obligation. On the other hand, it cannot be disputed that there must be strict control of the body, whose rulings should be respected. It may be that the Chinese have not sufficiently appreciated that point, although they should remember that

they are, relatively speaking, newcomers to the game and consequently have not behind them those traditions which have been built up in countries where football has long figured as a national pastime. But the disinterested observer will say that there is a right and a wrong way of insisting on compliance with rules and regulations, and that wisdom is to be found in not jeopardising the future of the game by rigid insistence on relatively minor points of administration. It is equally true that the real interests of the game cannot be served by clubs acting in a spirit of pique when they come up against authority.

When the points at present in dispute are reduced to their real significance, they do not appear to the observer to justify a continuance of the quarrel. In fact, it is sheer folly to permit the situation to remain where it is. Matters will not be helped by a further airing of the differences, in which charges and counter-charges are made; there has been enough of that already. The main necessity is to seek a settlement by every possible means available. So we yet hope that some-one sufficiently big-hearted and far-sighted will step in and help to smooth matters over. There is, in the present situation, an aspect of even greater and wider importance than a mere difference on sport. It is this larger issue which we have particularly in mind in urging that no stone be left unturned to effect a lasting settlement of a most regrettable development.

Great Men at Play.

The recent researches of Mr. Philip Guedalla into ancient sports and pastimes has provoked inquiry into the manner in which England's famous men of to-day amuse themselves. The discoveries in some cases are surprising. Mr. H. G. Wells has invented a round game of his own into which all who pay visits to his countryhouse are initiated. Mr. Bernard Shaw does not care for sporting with Amaryllis in the shade. He prefers to bask on a raft in the Mediterranean in a loincloth, though, according to his own statement in Who's Who, he rejoices in every kind of recreation except sport. Mr. Stanley Baldwin and Mr. Lloyd George are more prosaic. Many people who have never been Prime Minister of England read the classes like the Conservative leader. It is probable that even more share Mr. Lloyd George's hobby, which is golf. [The statesman's reputation for originality in his lighter moods is better upheld by Mr. Winston Churchill, who has been known to exploit his leisure hours in a little brick-laying. The most unusual of all recreations, however, must surely be that of Sir James Barrie, who has papered the ceiling in one of the rooms of his home by placing wet postage stamps on a penny and flicking them up with a jerk of the thumb and forefinger. This remarkable indoor sport has only just been disclosed, but there is reason to believe that Sir James takes it earnestly and conscientiously. The question naturally arises that if famous men affect strange amusements, can strange amusements produce great men? The Duke of Wellington claimed that the Battle of Waterloo was won on the battlefields of Eton. Mr. Philip Guedalla reveals that the most important game on the playing fields in the days of the Duke was hoops, while the virtues of hopscotch were not neglected. Peggoty and battledore were principal items in the athletic curriculum, and the budding sportsman was put through a course of puss-in-the-corner. Finally, the virile game of marbles was given a place of honour. It is also to be noted that the authorities of Oxford University still find it advisable to include in their official statutes a warning against indulging in the dangerous attractions of marbles in certain parts of the city. From all which, perhaps the valuable deduction may be drawn that if any boy wishes to grow up like the Duke of Wellington, he should play marbles.

Members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong are reminded that a dance will be held in the Rooms of the Institution on Saturday. Applications for tickets should be made to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

Whilst lowering a sail on board his cargo boat, a seaman, Leung Lin, aged 55 years, was struck by a hand derrick and received injuries to his body. His condition was reported as being rather serious and he was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment.

Invitations have been issued by the Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club for an "at home" to be held on Saturday, December 26, when the formal opening ceremony of the Pavilion will be performed by Lady Peel at 3 p.m. Following the opening ceremony, there will be a prize distribution and Christmas tree, tea, and the children's sports.

We are informed by Captain W. Fretwell, master of the s.s. Planoria, that our report of the evidence given at the Marine Court of Inquiry into the recent stranding of his vessel was inaccurate in many respects, especially in regard to the courses steered. We tender our regrets for any errors we may have given a wrong impression of Captain Fretwell's seamanship.

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DAY BY DAY

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Washington Irving.

The Hongkong Silk Store has issued an attractive wall calendar.

An imported case of cerebro-spinal fever was notified yesterday.

The P. and O. s.s. Corfu, from Shanghai, is due here at 7 p.m. on Friday.

The Empress of Russia has been delayed, and is now scheduled to sail at midnight, Friday, December 18.

A Congregation of the Hongkong University for the conferring of degrees is to be held on January 11th.

An amended notification states that the P. and O. liner Karmala, from Singapore, is now due at noon on Saturday.

The Hongkong University Christian Association will give a Christmas concert next Sunday, December 20, at 9 p.m. in the Great Hall of the University.

A brick which was either thrown or fell from an upper floor in the vicinity of 64, Pottinger Street yesterday afternoon struck a passerby, Pak Pu, a shop coolie, of 227, Queen's Road East, and inflicted a nasty injury to his head.

Members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong are reminded that a dance will be held in the Rooms of the Institution on Saturday. Applications for tickets should be made to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

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BARONESS ORCZY asks

ARE WOMEN SELFISH IN LOVE?

shafts often seem to have been dipped in a virulent poison, which has the power of depriving of their sight those who have been struck by them.

And women suffer from those attacks of blindness far more frequently and more completely than men.

Watch the girl who fears or hopes for her lover. Is she selfish? Let Destiny ask her to give her life for his, and see then! For herself she cares nothing, but for him—for him she will be ready to sacrifice not only her life, but the rest of the world in a single blazing funeral pyre. If it would but profit him. Love's poisoned shaft has blinded her indeed!

She thinks for him, acts for him, schemes for him, plunges into evil or good impersonally for him. She sees a prize—he must have it; she recognises an obstacle—he must overcome it; she realises a goal—he must attain it. For love of him she dreams dreams, and in her love-blindness she is obsessed by the dreams, and forces him weak humanity to an impossible task.

But make no mistake—the dreams are all for him. She is willing to stand in the background, fall out by the way; she is ready to become a mere stepping-stone to his success. It would be the divine height of unselfishness, were it not the blind height of folly!

A Longer Vision.

Woman has a longer vision than man, but she lacks his logical faculty for estimating obstacles. Woman will try to keep her lover by her side, knowing that they would be happy together even though his name were disgraced, or his country were in sore need of him. But man, whose creed is different from hers, puts her second in his thoughts.

"I could not love thee, dear, so much, loved I not honour more!" is his rule of life. He is solid for his honour's sake, while she would sacrifice both her honour and his regard for her in order to keep him safely within the shelter of her arms.

It has been said that if we only had Faith, we could say to this mountain "Go hence!" and it would actually go. That is the creed of the woman who is in love. Her faith in her love is so great that, should she covet a throne for her lover, she would try to remove every mountain that stood in her way.

Sometimes the man also is of heroic mould, and can follow the keenest flights of his chosen woman's vision, and make them all come true. But such a man is rare; he is the real Fairy Prince for whom every woman pines.

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Alone in Eden.

It is not a fatal contrariety in woman that makes her dream such uncomfortable dreams? Would she not a million times rather be left alone in an Eden of her own creation, alone with the man she loved?

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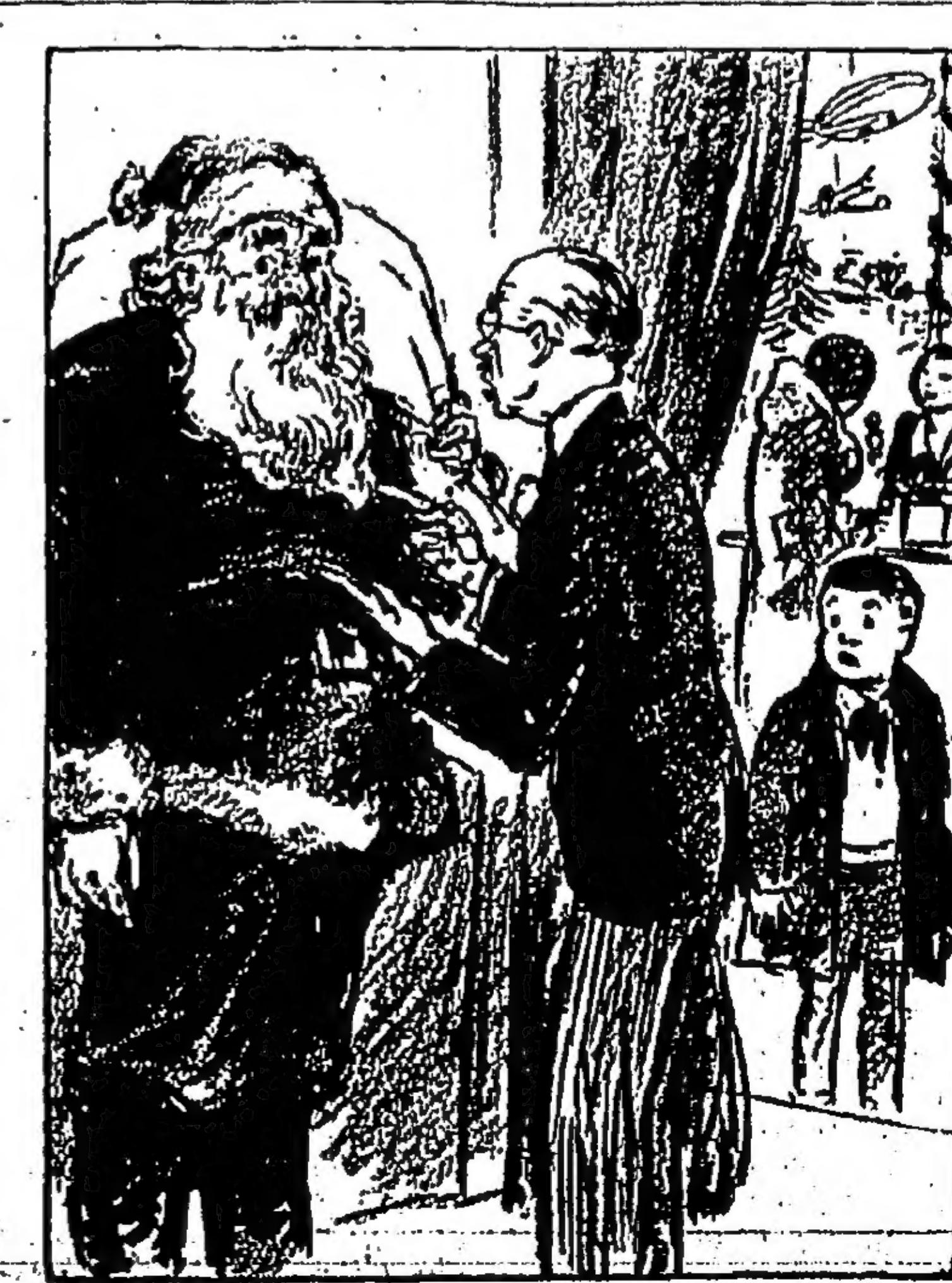
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I can personally guarantee them free from cannibals, crocodiles, and mosquitoes. They are non-volcanic, non-piratic, and non-rheumatic. They are islands wherein you may dream your life away.

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COLLISION ACTION RESUMED.

CROSSING FAIRWAY IN FOG.

DEFENCE POINTER.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., remarked that "no sane Captain would cross this fairway in a fog," when he continued his address in the consolidated actions brought by the China Navigation Company and the Nippon Yusen Kaisha against each other in the Supreme Court this morning.

This case, which is being heard in Admiralty jurisdiction before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) and the Harbour Master (Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., Retired), as Assessor, is one arising out of a collision off Kowloon Dock Point between the s.s. Kiangsu and the s.s. Tokooca Maru.

The China Navigation Company, owners of the Kiangsu, claim \$40,000 damages from the N.Y.K., while the latter are claiming for \$40,554 damages against the China Navigation Company.

Mr. Potter, together with Mr. F. C. Jenkins, K.C., is for the China Navigation Company, while Mr. H. G. Sheldon is for the N.Y.K.

Effect of Anchors.

Mr. Potter reminded the Court that when they adjourned yesterday they were discussing the weight and effect of anchors, and pointed out that the effect of an anchor being dropped was almost immediate on the motion of the ship. He submitted that if the two anchors of the Tokooca Maru had been dropped, the collision would never have occurred.

Counsel went on to emphasise that Capt. Ritchie knew as precisely as it was possible to know, without taking the exact position, where he was, as he was in the middle of the fairway in which he knew it was the duty of both inward and outward-bound ships to keep to the starboard side. The captain of a ship was, in law, entitled to assume that the other captain would obey the rule of the road.

In addition, Capt. Ritchie knew that there was no other ship behind him or in front of him on the starboard side, and he was only concerned with the one outward-bound vessel, the Tokooca Maru.

Also, being in the fairway, he could never anticipate that he would find an outward-bound ship on the northern side of the fairway, where he eventually found the Tokooca Maru. He was not bound, in law, to anticipate such a manoeuvre.

The Only Conclusion.

Counsel went on to say that the Kiangsu had a following current, and he submitted, as a matter of seamanship, that it was essential for Capt. Ritchie to keep proper and effective steerage way on his ship so that he might keep to his own course and prevent his ship drifting into the course of an outward-bound ship.

He would submit on the evidence that the only conclusion to which Capt. Ritchie could come was that the other ship was outward-bound. He heard a fog signal from the Japanese boat at 7.46, and, having heard that signal on his port bow, he came to the only conclusion to which he could come.

Mr. Potter remarked:—"No sane Captain would cross this fairway in a fog and the only conclusion that Capt. Ritchie could come to was that the other boat was outward-bound, moving about east-north-east, and would, inevitably, clear him, as an outward-bound ship would clear him." Capt. Ritchie never had any reason to alter that conclusion.

Approaching Closer.

Counsel went on to deal with the matter of the Tokooca Maru's signals becoming "finer" on the Kiangsu's port bow and submitted that that would be no indication to Capt. Ritchie that she was, in fact, a crossing ship, and was not on her proper side of the fairway. It only indicated that the ships were approaching closer, as they would do in any case when passing in opposite directions in the fairway.

The Chief Justice remarked that he thought it would be difficult, anyway, to draw conclusions as to a ship's position by means of such signals, with which Mr. Potter agreed, saying that, at the most, the signals would give to the hour only the approximate position.

Capt. Ritchie might have considered that the Japanese ship was on a more northerly course, but that she would, inevitably, at the proper moment, port her helm and take the ordinary and proper course of an outward-bound ship.

It would never enter Capt. Ritchie's brain that a ship would be crossing the fairway in a fog.

Did Nothing.

The captain of the Tokooca Maru was the one man who knew the whole of the position, as he

BRITISH PLANES AT WUCHOW.

FINE EXHIBITION OF FLYING.

Wuchow, Dec. 14. Shortly before one o'clock this afternoon the steady drone of aeroplane motors caused the residents of Wuchow to look southward. A few moments later, the crowds were rewarded when two crimson-coloured aeroplanes, with British pilots, shot into the fog.

On Sunday a telegraphic communication from Canton heralded the arrival of the planes at Wuchow on the following day, and consequently their coming was not entirely a surprise to many.

It is said that the planes were from Hongkong and are for the use of the Kwangtung Army.

Before proceeding to the Wuchow air port, the two flying machines circled the city several times.

That no novices were handling the "sticks" was evidenced by the skillful manner in which the planes were manœuvred both in the air and on the landing field, which is situated on the south bank of the West River, opposite from the city of Wuchow.

In the afternoon the best exhibition of flying that has ever been witnessed in Wuchow took place when the pilots put their respective planes through their paces.

A miniature flying circus ensued, which was greatly enjoyed by the thousands of spectators who made up the interested audience. *Our Own Correspondent.*

AN INTIMIDATOR GAOLED.

LOCAL TERRORIST GETS DESSERTS.

On charges of demanding money with menaces, and of intimidation, a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning was sentenced to three months' hard labour on each count, the terms to run concurrently.

The defendant was alleged to have forcibly taken the complainant away from a tea-house and, with the assistance of several others, led him to the Sze Wo Club in Queen's Road, where he was held prisoner until he consented to join the Club and paid \$50 membership fees. After the money had been handed over, the complainant was provided with a membership book and a medal, and then allowed his freedom.

A charge of illegal detention was also brought against the defendant, but this was dismissed on account of discrepancies in the evidence.

Inspector John Murphy, who prosecuted, informed his Worship that whilst there was nothing known against the defendant, he was regarded as a terrorist in the Central District and people victimised by him were afraid to make any report to the police.

GOVT. POLICY ON BURMA.

DELEGATES NOW SATISFIED.

London, Dec. 16. In committee of the Burma Conference, Lord Peel, presiding, said his statement on Friday was intended to define for their guidance a field of useful discussion. The object of the Conference was to frame a Constitution embodying responsible government at the centre as well as in provincial matters, subject to reservations and safeguards. They should consider the virtue of compromise in arriving at a settlement along these lines.

Lord Lothian said the view held by the Government, as expressed by Lord Peel, was that the principle of the declaration of January 18th applied to the future Constitution of Burma.

U Ba Pe, who raised the question, expressed satisfaction, and the three Burma delegates who, as protest had abstained from the discussions, have resumed an active part in the deliberations.—*British Wireless.*

knew he was crossing the fairway against an incoming ship, while Capt. Ritchie did not. If the Japanese captain had thought for a moment, he would have done something, but he did nothing.

Mr. Jenkins then read Capt. Ritchie's evidence which approximated to the facts contained in Mr. Potter's address, after which the case was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

Mr. Sheldon indicated that he would argue that the Kiangsu was travelling at an excessive speed through the fog, and that Capt. Ritchie's proper course

would have soon to stop the engines on hearing the signals from the Tokooca Maru.

SESSIONS OPEN ON MONDAY.

FIVE CASES ON THE CALENDAR.

There are five cases down for trial at this month's Criminal Sessions which are to commence at the Supreme Court on Monday.

The first case on the list is one of indecent assault, in which Sit Shek will be charged with that offence against a two-year-old girl named Lo Sau-mui, on October 31, 1931.

All the other cases consist of robbery charges. Chan Yu-wing will be indicted that, on December 31, 1931, with others unknown, they together robbed Chan Ping-chung of \$150 in money.

Chung King-man and Li Fat will be charged that on October 16, 1931, at Kuk Haung Village, Kowloon City, with others unknown, they together robbed the inmates of money and jewellery.

There are three counts in a case in which there are two accused, Cheng Wing and Lam Lun, alias Tai Shek-lun. The first count against both of them is that on November 22, 1931, with others unknown, they together robbed Leung Kam of \$775.90.

The second and third counts are against Cheng Wing only, the second charging him with procuring and commanding Lam Lun and others unknown to commit the offence, and the third with conspiring with others to commit the robbery.

Sin Tim, Ng Tak and Li Kam are the accused in the last case. The indictment against the first two is that Ng Tak, on November 20, 1931, at Sheung Sze Po Village, Kowloon City, with others unknown, together robbed Wong Fun-man of 51 rolls of cloth, and that Sin Tim was, at the same time and place, aiding and abetting.

Ng Tak is additionally charged with receiving ten rolls of cloth, while Li Kam is charged with receiving eight rolls.

TOYS FOR LOCAL MUI-TSAI.

GIFTS OF LONDON CHILDREN.

A touching gift has been received from England of two cases of toys to be distributed among released mui tsai during the Christmas season.

The cases were sent to the Secretary of the Anti-Mui Tsai Society and two letters were sent with the toys addressed to the Salvation Army Home and the C.M.S. Victoria Home and Orphanage.

The toys are forwarded by Mrs. Hazlewood who, in a letter to the Commandant of the Salvation Army Home explained that they were gifts from little children in the East End of London at Bow to released mui tsai.

"They have made a great many of the things themselves," the letter explains, "and in many instances have given their own little treasures. They come with much love and affection."

The toys were forwarded to Hongkong free of charge by Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co., of Liverpool, to whom the Society have written a letter of thanks.

GANDHI FAILS TO SEE POPE.

LOIN CLOTH NOT QUITE PROPER.

Rome, Dec. 12. Mahatma Gandhi, on his way back to India after the round table conference at London, missed an opportunity for an audience with the Pope to-day, because his old costume did not conform to the Vatican's requirement of modesty.

Premier Mussolini received him, after the Indian Nationalist leader had spent more than an hour visiting the Vatican.

Authorities at the Vatican said that the Pope had been cancelled because the pontiff had other pressing engagements. But it was learned that they felt Gandhi's loin cloth was improper and that they considered it would be indecent to ask him to don more clothing.

AMERICAN SUPPORT OF LEAGUE.

INTERESTING PARIS MEETING.

Paris, Dec. 16. The United States Ambassador in Paris, Mr. Walter Edge, visited Mr. Briand to-day to offer the American Government's congratulations upon the success of the League Council session.

M. Briand replied that they had greatly valued the support lent by America to the League in the very delicate Sino-Japanese affair.

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ELECTION EXPENSES.

AN AMUSING BILL OF 1826.

With accounts for election expenses coming in thick and fast, it is interesting to recall the amusing "model electioneering bill," which Sir Mark Somerville had presented to him, in the bad old days of bribery and corruption, by the proprietors of the Trim Hotel during a contested election at Meath in 1826. A copy is subjoined.

Sir Mark had given orders at the hotel to board and lodge all that should vote for him. His instructions were carried out to the letter, and the account was duly tendered; Sir Mark had had unique document framed, and it still hangs in Somerville House.

MY BILL.

f. s. d.
To tenting 16 Freeholders above stairs for Sir Mark, at 3s. 3d. per head, is to me

To eating 15 more below stairs, and two priests after supper, is to me

To 18 horses and 5 mules about my yard all night, at 1s. every

one of them, and for a man which was lost

on the head of watching them all night, is to me

To 6 beds in one room, and 4 in another, at 2 rupees every bed, and not more than 4 in a bed, at any time, cheap enough, God knows, is to me

To Raw Whiskey and Punch, without talking of pipes and tobacco, as well as for breaking a pot above stairs, and other glasses and delph for the first day and night, I am not very sure, but for the three days and a half of the Election, as little as I can call it, and to be very exact, it is in all or thereabouts, as near as I can guess, and not to be too particular, is to me, at least

To shaving and cropping off the heads of 49 Freeholders for Sir Mark, at 1s. for every head of them, by my brother, who has a vote, is to me

To Womit and Nurse for poor Tom Karon, in the middle of the night, when he was not expected, is to me

To men Hogs, I don't talk of the pipers for keeping him sober as long as he was sober, is to me

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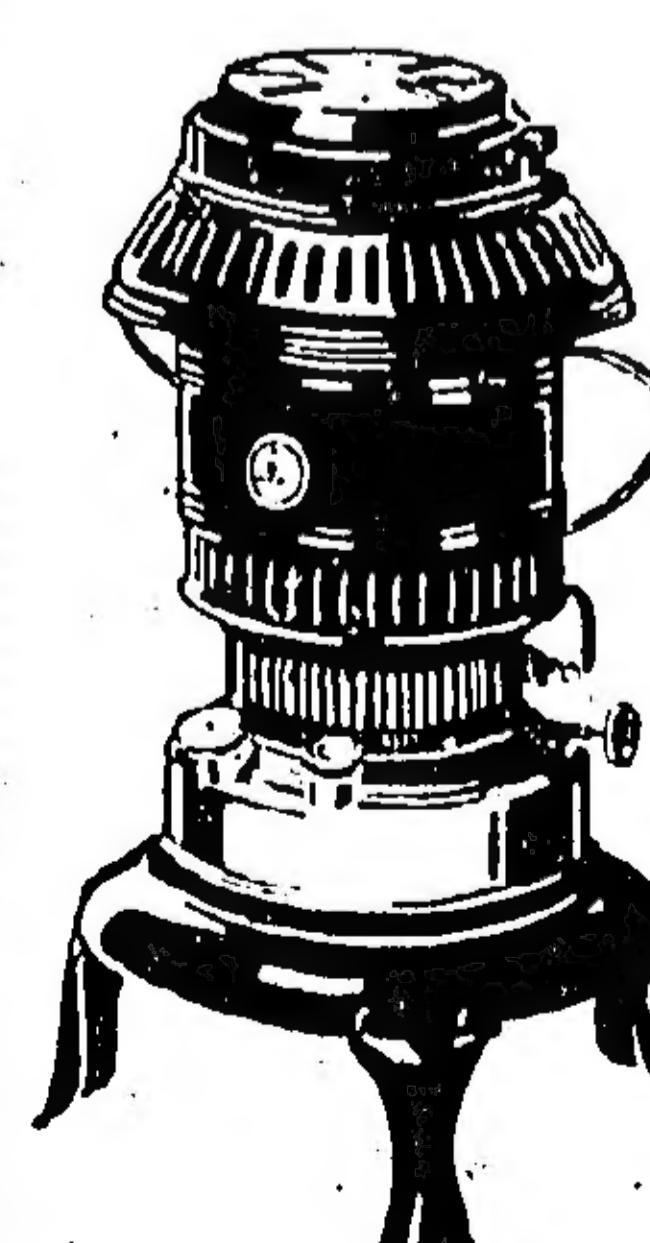
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LEAGUE CRICKET.

ENGINEERS DRAW WITH BORDERERS.

Playing in the Second Division of the League yesterday, the Royal Engineers and Signals drew with the Engineers and Signals, at Sookunpo, South Wales Borderers, at Sookunpo. It was a batman's wicket. Going in first, the South Wales Borderers took some dislodging. They started indifferently, losing a wicket at 18 and another at 20. Then Lieut. A. C. Hamilton went in and made things merrily. He hit three sixes and eleven fours, and 122 were on for the third wicket. Later he was joined by Captain Gottwaltz, who also hit a six. Captain Hamilton was not out 90 and Gottwaltz 29 when the innings was declared at 174.

The Engineers and Signals opened disastrously and only Signalman Williams, who hit a six in his 30, showed up as a run-gotter. With nine wickets down for 89, defeat was narrowly averted. Scores:

	South Wales Borderers.
Lieut. G. P. G. de Winton, b Williams	4
Capts. Walcs, c Higgins, b Anstruther	12
Pte. Ronan, c Holmes, b Williams	10
Lieut. A. C. Hamilton, not out	90
Lieut. J. O. Crowe, c Williams	3
Capt. P. Gottwaltz, not out	29
Extras	20
Total (for 4 wkts. dec.)	174

Fall of wickets.—1 for 18, 2 for 20, 3 for 122, 4 for 134.

Ptes. Hoskins, Morgan, Nelson, Turner and Whelton did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Williams	12	1	60	2
Anstruther	11	1	42	2
Buckle	2	1	4	-
Meehan	6	1	23	-
Jordan	3	-	26	-

	R. E. and Signals.
Lieut. Ebwbank, b Wales	7
Cpl. Meehan, b Wales	1
Sgtm. Gillett, b Ronan	4
Sgtm. Williams, b Hoskins	30
Sgtm. Holmes, b Wales	0
Lieut. Anstruther, c and b Hamilton	10
Lieut. Col. Marion, b Hoskins	3
Cpl. Saunders, c Gottwaltz, b Wales	7
S. C. Jordan, not out	16
L. Cpl. Higgins, b Ronan	2
Sgtm. Buckle, not out	0
Extras	9

Total (for 9 wkts.) 89

Fall of wickets.—1 for 1, 2 for 12,

3 for 12, 4 for 22, 5 for 56, 6 for 58,

7 for 61, 8 for 83, 9 for 88.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ronan	10	-	19	1
Walcs	10	2	20	2
Hoskins	7	-	22	2
Nelson	2	-	4	-
Hamilton	5	-	11	1

I.R.C. v. Volunteers.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club against the Volunteers on Sunday, December 20th, 1931, at 2 p.m. on the I.R.C. ground.—A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.), A. H. Madar, S. A. Ismail, S. R. Kermani, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, O. Ismail, M. R. Abbas, A. R. Abbas, A. S. Suffiad, and H. D. Rumjahn. Reserves: K. Nazarin and M. el Aroudi.

H.K.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club 2nd XI against the C.S.C.C. on the Club ground on Saturday, December 19, at 2 p.m.—R. K. Hepburn, (Capt.), C. E. Cahagan, F. A. M. Elliott, R. R. Davies, R. S. W. Paterson, A. J. Wolf, J. R. Ratten, L. A. Whipples, P. W. J. Flannery, W. Stoker, J. R. Way.

Civil Service Teams.

The following have been selected to represent the Civil Service C.C. in their League matches against the H.K.C.C. on Saturday next:

1st team at C.S.C.C. ground:—B.

D. Evans (Capt.), J. E. Richardson,

G. R. Sayer, F. J. de Rome, E. B.

Reed, F. J. Ling, F. Baker, R. M.

Wood, J. Barrow, J. F. McGowen, E.

W. Hamilton.

2nd team at H.K.C.C. ground:—H.

E. Strange (Capt.), P. C. K. Haw-

kins, A. E. Wood, W. H. Edmonds,

C. H. G. Bradley, F. Matthews,

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The fourth match in the billiards tournament for the Ng Sze-kwong Challenge Cups was held in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home last night, when H. M. S. Medway met and defeated the R.A.S.C. by four games to one.

Mention should be made of Private Funnell, who after being well in arrears looked like winning his game. He made a splendid break of 51 and another of 23, and finally lost by the narrow margin of 9. His opponent, E. R. A. Green, played consistently throughout and was a deserving winner.

Other players worthy of mention were E. R. A. Almond, Pte. Slack and E. R. A. Ashby.

The results of the games were as follows:

H.M.S. Medway.

	E. R. A. Gribson	150
E. R. A. Green	150	
E. R. A. Ashby	150	
C. E. A. Birns	150	
E. R. A. Almond	143	

R.A.S.C.

	Private Davies	81
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	Private Funnell	141
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	S. S. M. Jordan	122
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	Sgt. McCullock	130
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	Private Slack	150
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The next match will be held on Friday evening, December 18, when the R.A.O.C. will meet the 31st. Heavy Battery, R.A.

CLUB "A" TEAM AGAINST RADIO SPORTS.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club "A" Team against Radio Sports Club at King's Park at 6 p.m. on Saturday:—E. S. Moore, L. A. R. Duncan, L. F. Nicholson, W. A. Novak, F. W. Allen, K. H. Utley, L. D. Kilbee, J. L. Tolley, R. H. D. Wade, G. F. Rees, and R. W. Sampson.

H.K.S.R.A. Lost to Radio.

In a hockey match yesterday the Radio Sports Club defeated the H.K.S.R.A. by two goals to one, in a very fast and interesting game.

VALLEY GOLF.

DRAW FOR ADAMSON CUP MATCH.

In the Adamson Cup December qualifying round R. C. Wallace with a score of 81—9=72 qualified.

The draw for the match play stages resulted as follows:

E. Moore (13) v. J. Leung (14).

G. McLeod (14) v. W. J. G. Jenkins (17).

A. G. Ursell (17) v. A. D. Fraser (18).

R. Wallace (8) v. A. E. Clarke (14).

The first round is to be played on or before January 10, the semi-finals

on or before January 31 and the final on or before February 15.

Entries for the Junior section championship close on January 3, 1932.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

There is no material change in the rates this morning, the market being quite steady.

Sales.

Wharves, \$154.

Hotels (old), \$164.

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A number of good seats are still available for performances of "Miss Hook of Holland," according to the Honorary Secretary of the Philharmonic Society, Mr. H. J. Best, who writes as follows:

"I was informed to-day that a number of the public were not booking seats for the above as they were under the impression that no good seats were to be obtained for to-night and to-morrow evenings. May I be allowed to correct that impression, and to state that there are a considerable number of good seats still available for both evenings. There are also a number of seats available for Saturday evening."

Another Success.

Yesterday afternoon's matinee performance, given principally for the younger folk, was as much appreciated by the audience as any of the previous presentations given by the Philharmonic Society under the able direction of Mr. W. Robertson, the producer.

Each production given by the local amateurs has been an improvement in the standard of singing and acting on previous ones and in their presentation of "Miss Hook of Holland" the Society have maintained the traditions of the past by giving the public of Hongkong a characteristic interpretation of this well-known play—one worthy of many leading professional companies.

Yesterday afternoon artists all sustained their individual roles well and are to be congratulated in providing theatre goers with such a pleasant entertainment.

THEFT OF RADIUM.

SPANISH HOSPITAL SUFFERS
BIG LOSS.

Barcelona, Dec. 16. A small quantity of radium, which is valued at £10,000, has been stolen from a local hospital. It is feared that the thief will endeavour to sell it abroad.—Reuter's Special Service.

The Club "A" XV scored a big win when they beat the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon by 36 points to 3.

The Argylls were without Stevenson and several of their other Rugger players and it was a good effort on their part to field a side at all, as to do so they had to call on several players who had never played rugger before.

The Club were superior in all departments and their nine tries were the result of good three-quarter movements. Koop ran well on the left wing to score six of the Club's tries.

Other tries were scored by Plummer, Black, and Segalen while Segalen (two), and Plummer converted tries. Holmes kicked a penalty goal. Jenkins who played wing for Shanghai in his last Sunday Internation match made his first appearance in local rugby and gave a very creditable display at stand-off half-back.

The Argylls were out-classed but put up a plucky fight. Dunlop was outstanding but at full-back in the first half and later when he came up to the base of the scrum. The Argylls' only score was a penalty goal kicked by Keith Murray.

It is hoped to see more of the Highlanders in local Rugby. With some more practice they should develop into quite a useful side.

The game was refereed by Commander Pegram H. M. S. Suffolk-Rossiter.—Club "A" 3 goals, 1 penalty goal, 6 tries (36 points); A. & S. H. 1 penalty goal (3 points).

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JURY ALTER THEIR VERDICT.

ENQUIRY INTO DEATH OF A PRISONER.

A verdict of "manslaughter against a person unknown" was brought in yesterday afternoon by the jury empanelled in the inquiry, conducted by Mr. Fraser, into the circumstances of the death of Chung Tang, a prisoner in Lai-chuk Gaol, on December 12, but after being addressed by the Coroner, the jury altered it to "accidental death."

Yesterday's hearing was conducted at the Lai-chuk Gaol, several prisoners being examined in the course of the proceedings.

The jury consisted of Messrs. A. Mann (foreman), E. A. Remondos and Lo Wang-choung.

Altered Verdict.

After a few minutes' consideration, the jury returned a verdict of "manslaughter against a person unknown."

The Coroner.—On the evidence, there are only three possible verdicts—manslaughter, accidental death or an open verdict. I must say that on the evidence given you cannot bring in a verdict of manslaughter. There is only one man against whom you could bring in a charge of manslaughter and that is the man who is alleged to have struck the deceased. You have the evidence of a prisoner who alleges that he saw Prisoner 11777 striking the deceased, and he later says he himself was struck by this prisoner.

The Coroner went on to say that this rather took some value from this witness's evidence, because obviously he had a grudge against Prisoner 11777.

There was only this man's evidence to support a charge of manslaughter, said the Coroner, and he did not think that a man could be convicted of manslaughter on this evidence alone.

"You are the judge of the facts and I am the judge of law," concluded the Coroner, "but I do not think you can bring in a verdict of manslaughter in this case."

The jury then returned a verdict of "accidental death."

OBITUARY.

CAPT. H. A. SETTLE OF CHINA NAVIGATION CO.

Deep regret will be caused by the death of Capt. Harry Armstrong Settle of the China Navigation Company, who passed away at the French Hospital yesterday from pneumonia at the early age of 31 years.

A well known and popular officer of the Company, the late Capt. Settle, whose home was in Liverpool, first joined the China Navigation Company in November 1922 and was promoted to the rank of Chief Officer three years later. For short periods on different occasions he was acting master of the Company's ship Newchang, Ichang and Shantung and was due for permanent promotion to a command during the next few months.

A keen mason, Capt. Settle was master mason of the Lodge of St. John 618.

Much sympathy will be extended to Mrs. Settle in the loss she has been called upon to bear.

The funeral takes place this afternoon, the cortège passing the Monument at 6 p.m.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

maid should have let him in. You understand that was necessary, because no one was being admitted except invited guests. But she was busy, and she carelessly left the door unlocked. No one came, or went, that we know of. I locked the door again myself, after I came down from up there."

"But someone might have come and gone, you admit that. And it might have been your brother. And during that time—how long was it?—about 20 minutes altogether—Mrs. Jupiter was robbed and killed."

"Yes. But Eddie had nothing to do with it. I'm as sure of that as I am of God." Their eyes met and held. "You believe me, don't you?"

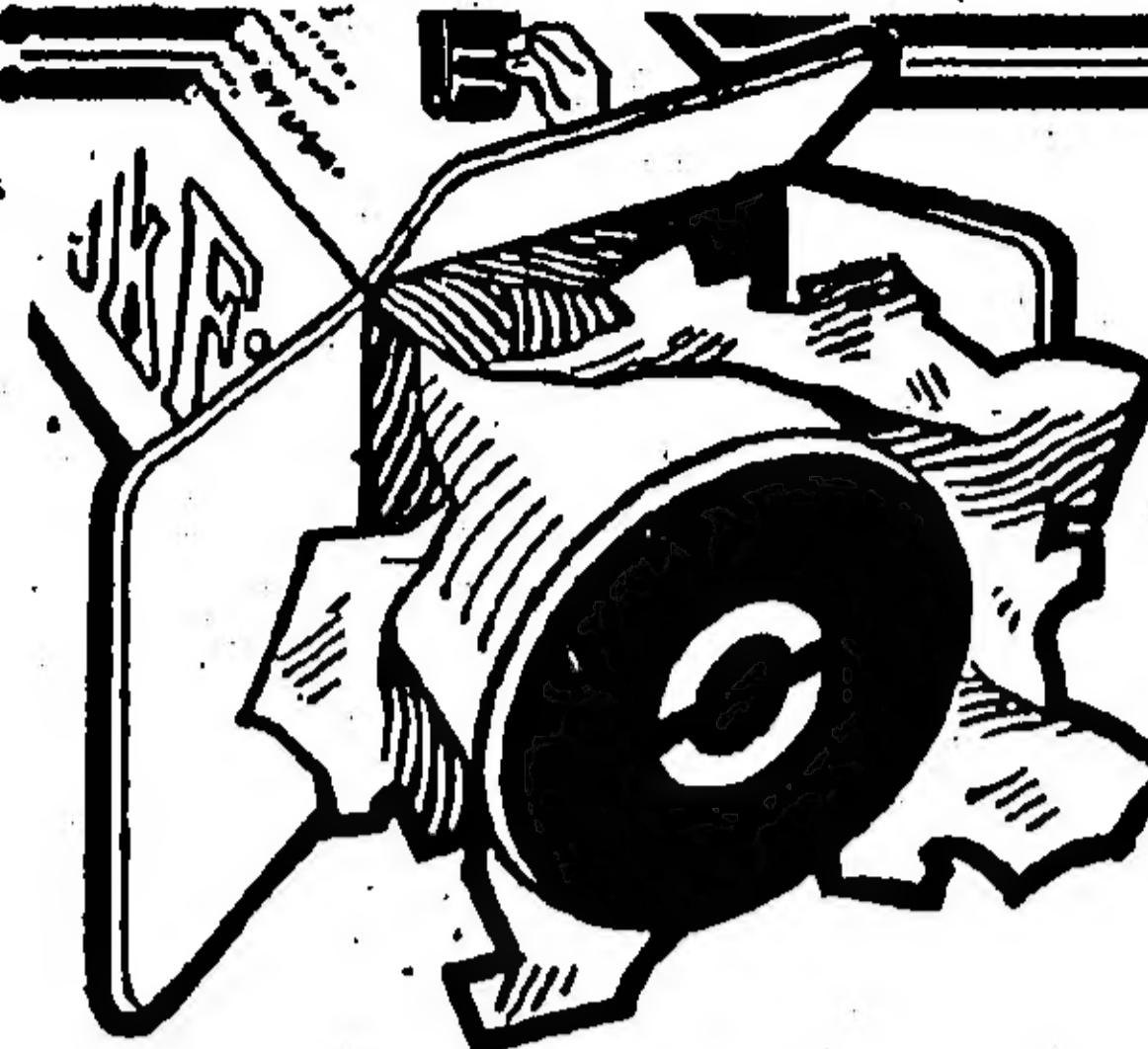
Before the sincerity in the girl's grey eyes, Bowen found himself saying "Yes," and meaning it.

"You won't put anything in your paper about it, will you?"

Bowen hesitated, but only for a minute. "I have to, Miss Harkness." There was real regret in his voice.

"You couldn't wait just until I see my brother and find out what he knows?"

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realization that the biggest story in years was in reach of his hand. Lovely this girl might be, and ever so innocent, but her brother was a red-handed murderer, if ever there was one, according to his way of thinking.

"May I go with you?" he asked, eagerly. "Whatever your brother's story is, it must be told some time, and if I could get to him first—"

But Mary was not listening; she

was waiting tensely while a maid went to call Dirk to the telephone.

Presently a woman's tones come drifting over the wire. Mrs. Ruyther's.

"Oh, Mary," she said, languidly. "Dirk asked me to call him, but the poor boy is sleeping SO soundly! I hadn't the heart to wake him. Can't he wait awhile, whatever it is?"

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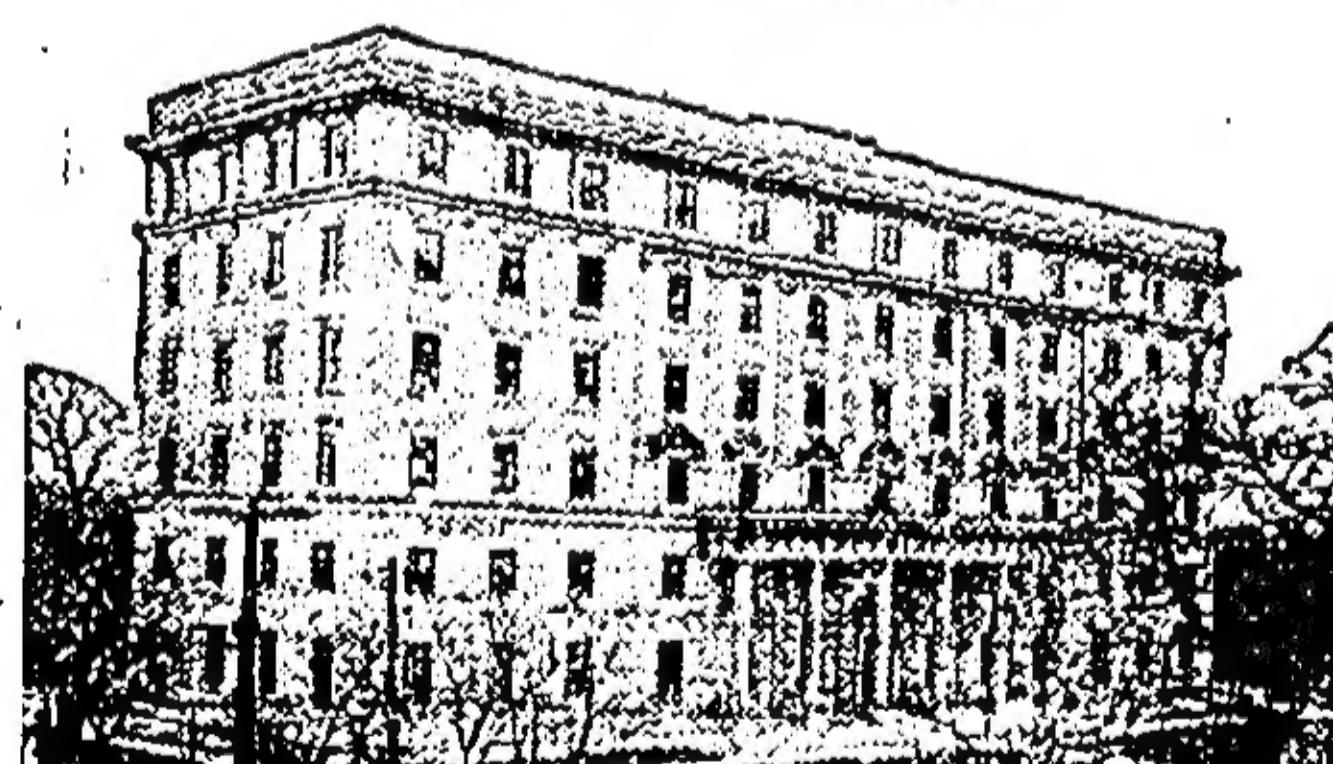
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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Great difficulties in photographing and recording scenes of the majestic outdoors of the Hudson Bay country were encountered by the Warner Bros. company, under the direction of George Fitzmaurice, during the filming of the Vitaphone production, "Tiger Rose," which comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day, co-starring Monte Blue and Lupo Velez.

Much of the picture was taken along rushing streams and on lakes. Frequently, in order to catch the most vivid scenes, company carpenters would have to build platforms out into the currents on which to place the camera and recording equipment. One of the most vivid scenes of the picture is that in which Lupo, Blue and Grant Withers stand down the river in a frail boat, and ride the rapids. Parts of these scenes were taken at Lake Arrowhead, and the rest in the rushing rapids of the American River, in the high Sierras. "Tiger Rose," adapted from Willard Mack's stage play, is marked by its pictorial beauty.

"The Ghost Train."

Nowadays the test applied to a new play is a comparatively simple one: "Will it make a good talkie?" Some years ago a stage play drew all London to the Garrick Theatre, and none was able to apply to-day's test. "The Ghost Train" drew its thousands for months, because of its eerie story and the noises "off."

It was considered a slim subject from the evening of the try-out, but time elapsed before W. and F. secured the rights and produced a silent version of the thriller which swept the country.

With the coming of the talkie it was inevitable that "The Ghost Train," coming to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, should be given a new lease of life. It is an ideal subject for the sound technician, and the making of the new picture was entrusted to Gainsborough Pictures. The noises "off," so skillfully and laboriously concocted for the silent version, are in the new picture part and parcel of the action.

All the excellent resources of the Gainsborough Studios and its able technical staffs were directed to the making of film which is essentially a thriller, and we claim that the result in the finest railway drama ever produced.

"Africa Speaks."

Many African tribes—particularly those of the French Congo—have long made it a practice to mutilate the faces of their women. The fact has been observed and deplored not only by travellers, but by French government officials. All efforts to discover the origin of the custom failed, however, until Paul L. Hoefler, who recently made an amazing trip in the interests of the Colorado-African Expedition, unearthed the secret.

When Hoefler reached the village of Flye Ile in the French Congo, which is inhabited by the Ubangi tribe, he was shocked, as others had been to see that the faces of the native women were disfigured. They all wore huge wooden discs inserted in their lower lips, which gave them the appearance of grotesque ducks.

Upon inquiry Hoefler learned that the custom originated in the days of the slave traffic. Arab bands, who roamed about the desert on the quest for black slaves and cheap female natives, never failed to call upon the Ubangi, for the women of the tribe were noted for their beauty. The marauders were so greedy that they soon exhausted the supply of young girls. They then made a practice of seizing female infants. These were reared by Arab women until old enough to sell in the slave market. Many Ubangi men, who fought valiantly to defend their women, were killed in these raids. The result was that the tribe was almost wiped out.

How long this reign of terror continued it is impossible to say, but eventually the tribe built a central fort, around which the many scattered villages were collected. When the marauders came out of the sands, the people would retire to the fort and from its protecting walls were able to withstand all assaults. But further to disconcert the slave hunters they commenced the practice of disfiguring the faces of their women.

Authentic photographs of these disfigured women are shown in "Africa Speaks," the sensational African adventure picture, which is now at the Central Theatre, together with many other intimate glimpses of native life. The film, released throughout the world by Columbia Pictures, abounds as well in splendid scenic effects, and amazingly clever shots of the wild beasts of the jungle.

Authorities and informed laymen who have seen the picture are unanimous in unstinted praise of the thrilling scenes and realistic photography. Needless to state, the sounds of the jungle, brought to the screen for the first time, play a large part in contributing to the unparalleled effect of the film.

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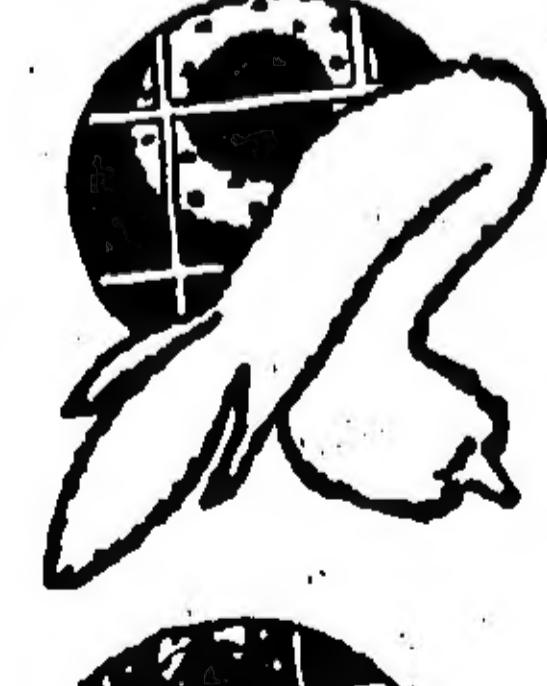
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GERMAN DECREE.

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Berlin, Dec. 16. The Government position has been strengthened by vote of the House Committee rejecting by 321 to 256 an opposition motion to force a convocation of the Reichstag to discuss the Brueining emergency decree.

The Socialists supported the Government against the Communists, Nazis and German Nationals.—Reuters.

GERMANY'S CAPACITY.

London, Dec. 16. The drafting sub-committee, consisting of Signor Beneduce (Italy), Sir Walter Layton (Britain), Professor Rist (France) and Dr. Melchior (Germany), has now begun work on the report of the Young Plan advisory committee, which is engaged at Basle in an examination of Germany's financial capacity.

The committee yesterday heard a statement from Dr. Homberger on the financial position of the German railways, which under the Young Plan contribute £33,000,000 annually, equivalent to the amount of the unconditional annuity, to repayment payments.

Exhaustive evidence has now been taken of every aspect of German finances, and this has gone to show that all three principal sources of money earmarked to provide repayment payments have suffered substantial diminution. Meanwhile, other committees are examining the railway accounts and points of detail concerning the German budget.—British Wireless.

BRITISH STOCKS.

London, Dec. 16. On the Stock Exchange this morning, the leading British Government stocks were generally one eighth to three eighths higher, with the sterling-dollar rate quoted a shade better, at 3.44%.—British Wireless.

RAILWAY RATES.

LOWER CHARGES TO MEET COMPETITION.

London, Dec. 16. In order to compete with road and water transport, the railways

THE WAR AREAS.

CHINCHOW TROOPS BEING WITHDRAWN.

Berlin, Dec. 16. Owing to what are considered to be indications that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang is preparing to withdraw the Chinchow garrison within the Great Wall, it is learned that the proposal to despatch an additional one and a half divisions to Manchuria has been dropped.

However, the Cabinet will today consider the despatch of a mixed brigade to the Kwantung leased territory where the troops will be available to provide reliefs for the troops in Manchuria.

If the despatch is sanctioned it is expected that one or two battalions will be earmarked to proceed to Tientsin in the event of disturbances in North China arising out of General Chiang Kai-shek's resignation.—Reuters.

THE RAILWAYS.

Tokyo, Dec. 16. According to a report from Mukden, the Chinese Eastern Railway authorities have approached the South Manchuria Railway with offer to sell the southern section of the C.E.R., from Harbin to Changchun, as they forecast that the value of this line is likely to depreciate on the completion of the Japanese lines between Kalgan and Kirin and Changchun and Taihia, which will divert much freight now passing over the C.E.R.—Reuters.

The French Choix. Paris, Dec. 16. The composition of the Manchurian Commission is not likely to be known until to-morrow or Friday, according to the *Matin*, which adds that M. Maginot, the War Minister, has approached General Guillaumat, former commander of the French Army of Occupation, to be the French representative, but the General has declined for health reasons.

On the contrary, Admiral Horr, at present in Chinese waters, is mentioned as a possible choice.—Reuters.

London, Dec. 16. have been granted permission by the Railway Rates Tribunal in London to charge less than the standard rate for certain kinds of

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After his return from leave he went to Peshawar, Dagahal and Simla and then to Bannu, from which last place he went to serve in Africa during the war.

INDIA, OLD AND NEW.

COLONEL SKINNER'S TALK TO SERVICE MEN.

"At the Sailor's and Soldiers' Home last night, Col. R. B. Skinner, O.B.E., delivered an interesting lecture on 'An Officer's Experience in India.' The Rev. Mr. Tribbeck presided, and briefly introduced the speaker, who, he said, needed no introduction as he was one of those interested in the Home."

"Col. Skinner said that he went out to India with three other youngsters in the year 1899, first landing at Bombay. Two of them were ordered to a frontier station by the name of Kohat. All the time they were impressed by people to be careful of the sun, and troops arriving in India were specially warned to keep their helmets on when looking out of trains. The journey to Kohat took three nights and two days by train and after that they had a 28 mile road trip by tonga, which was a kind of mule-drawn cart."

In Kohat they were received very hospitably and made the acquaintance of real soldiers, men who had been on the frontier for a long time. After Kohat they were ordered to Fort Lockhart, and after a two months stay there to Parachinar. The speaker went on to describe his stay in Parachinar, and the other stations where he was ordered before going on leave to Kashmir after four years on the frontier.

After his return from leave he went to Peshawar, Dagahal and Simla and then to Bannu, from which last place he went to serve in Africa during the war.

Progress.

On his return from the war, he was ordered to Quetta and finally went back again to Kohat, thus beginning and ending his frontier life there. But the difference was remarkable. When he first went to Kohat there were no roads, but when he left it there were motor roads, bridges and telephones.

The climate, said the speaker, was extreme. In winter it went down to freezing point, but in summer the temperature in the shade was sometimes about 125 degrees.

Col. Skinner paid a great tribute to the work done by the medical missionaries on the frontier, for it was through them that Christianity got a hold there. He mentioned one instance of having seen the Bible placed by the side of the Koran in a mosque, showing the fairness of the people towards religion.

In conclusion, the speaker said that lately India had come very much into the limelight with Gandhi's visit to England and the issues which depended thereon; but he was of the opinion that the real trouble in India was between the Mohammedans and the Hindus, and it remained with the Indians to work out their own salvation by keeping the peace among themselves. They, like the British Government, were only working towards a unified India.

The Rev. Mr. Tribbeck thanked Col. Skinner for his lecture, and Mr. Edmonds proposed a vote of thanks which was carried with acclamation.

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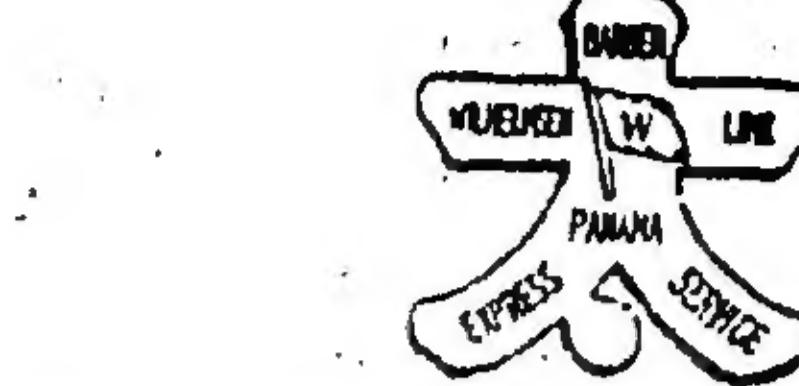
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Aberthorn	v. Aberdeen.
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Hamilton	v. Dumbarston.
Cladell	v. Partick Thistle.
Dunfermline	v. East Stirling.
Clyde	v. Third Lanark.
Motherwell	v. Stenhousemuir.
Murrayfield A.	v. Edinburgh C.
Cowdenbeath	v. Alton Ath.
Hibernians	v. Dundee Un.
Dundee	v. Greenock Morton.
Raith	v. Inverness Thistle.
Rangers	v. Brechin.
Lochgelly	v. Hearts.
Celtic	v. Falkirk.
Kilmarnock	v. East Fife.
King's Park	v. Thornhill.
Forfar	v. Airdrie.
Armadale	v. Montrose.
Dalbeattie Star	v. Boness.

Association's Decision.

It will be noted that there has been a considerable reduction in the number of entries for the competition and that only twenty-four matches are possible in the first round, as against the usual thirty-two.

It was agreed at the meeting of the Scottish Football Association, at which the draw was made, that there should be no byes in the first or second rounds, but in the third round, when there are only twelve teams remaining in the competition, there will be four ties and four byes.

Celtic's Draw.

The most interesting first round match would appear to be the visit of Falkirk to the Glasgow Celtic ground. The Clyde will find Third Lanark a hard nut to crack, but the draw generally leaves little room for surprises.—*Reuter*.

CUNARD LINER SUSPENSION.

NO NEW DEVELOPMENT AS YET.

London, Dec. 16.
The Directors of the Cunard Steamship Company to-day considered in private the recent decision to suspend work on their giant liner.

The Chairman reported that he had received no request to meet the Government, and for the moment there was no fresh news to report.—*British Wireless*.

THE DOLLAR UP A FARTHING.

AMERICA BUYING SILVER.

The Hongkong dollar rose a farthing this morning, reflecting an advance in silver prices both in London and New York. The demand rate is 1s. 6d./10d.

In London, silver was up 3/8ths spot and 9/16ths forward. Speculators were small buyers, offerings being small. The market was quiet on opening, but after the official fixing it ruled firm. America was a buyer and there was an absence of sellers.

New York reports a rise of one-half in silver, with the market steady.

Conditions in Shanghai have been most erratic. The rate opened at 1s. 11 1/2d. and 1s. 11 13/16d., but later advanced to 1s. 11 15/16d. Then it reverted to the former quotations, with conditions easier.

In Hongkong, the market is very uncertain, nominal rates being about 1s. 5 3/4d. and 1s. 5 7/8d. There is practically no business, and the market is by no means active.

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Three workmen of the Green Island Cement Company were seriously injured yesterday when a large log which they were sawing fell from its supports and crushed the men who were working below.

Fung Chung, aged 30, and Chan Lo, aged 28, were both removed to the Kowloon Hospital, the former suffering from injuries to his shoulder and forearm and the second from injuries to his face and head; while the third man, Pun Tak, was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment, being injured about the chest.

SIAM & BRITAIN LINKED.

TELEPHONE SERVICE ESTABLISHED.

London, Dec. 16.
The Postmaster General announces that from to-morrow a telephone service will be available from all parts of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to Siam. The route will be by wire to Berlin and by wireless to Bangkok.—*British Wireless*.

Shanghai is again experiencing a cold snap. The temperature at 6 a.m. to-day was 25 degrees, compared with 56 in Hongkong.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK MAY SEEK RE-ELECTION.

LATEST NANKING SITUATION.

Nanking, Dec. 17.
Chiang Kai-shek remains in the Capital and will attend the Fourth Kuomintang National Congress despite his resignation and the simultaneous resignations of his principal political subordinates.

It is as yet uncertain whether he will submit himself for re-election at the Fourth Kuomintang National Congress which will open as soon as the Cantonese delegates arrive.

The Canton leaders are proceeding with the drafting of their proposals for the reorganisation of the National Government.

Dr. Wellington Koo is expected at any moment to resign the portfolio of Foreign Minister.

Canton Plans.

Messrs. Sun Fo, Chen Kung-poh, Ku Meng-yu, Chao Pei-hui, C. C. Wu and fifteen other National Congress commissioners will leave Shanghai this morning for the Capital on a special train.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei is still indisposed but will follow his colleagues to Nanking this weekend.

Mr. T. V. Soong is still at the Finance Ministry and Mr. Chow Lu, one of the leading Canton politicians, has issued an emphatic denial of the rumour that Mr. Sun Fo has recommended Mr. Liu Chi-wan, formerly Mayor of Nanking and Chinese Customs commissioner at Shanghai, as successor to Mr. T. V. Soong.

Invitation to Mr. Hu Han-min.
Both Mr. Lin Sen (acting President of the National Government's State Council) and General Chan Ming-shu (acting President of the Executive Council) will occupy these posts for only two weeks.

Mr. Lin Sen has sent a telegram to Mr. Hu Han-min in Hongkong, informing him that the Fourth Kuomintang National Congress will be formally opened on Monday next, for a general settlement of the Kuomintang quarrels and the reorganisation of the Nanking Government. All posts will be filled by election and Mr. Hu Han-min is invited to attend.—*Renmin*.

Diabetes Sufferer.

Nanking, Dec. 17.
Sun Fo, C. C. Wu, Eugene Chen, Li Wen-fan, Chou Lu, Chen Kung-poh, and Mrs. Wing Ching-wei and twenty other members of the C. E. C. together with a staff of eight, left for Nanking this morning. A notable absentee was Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who is at present in hospital suffering from diabetes.—*Reuter*.

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